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r Rees firm on Agee d Hosenball expulsions

announced in the Commons yesterday ecision to deport two American journa-Philip Agee and Mr Mark Hosenball, as of national security must stand. Some of the Labour Party shouted and yelled. ervatives cheered loudly.

t-CIA man seeks invoke Scots law

on by Mr Rees, the tary, yesterday to merican journalists of national security lenged in the High after the Commons at solicitors for Mr at solicitors for Mr pall, one of the two, that they would rion shortly. d man, Mr Philip ner CIA agent who CLA activities in a ountries, announced that he would try law to prevent his

n the Agee-Hosen-Committee said it al to all transport o carry either man tation notices were

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thall, aged 25 a in the London dard, was told ho ation for obtaining for publication national security the Crown. ien made represen-

Home Office adittee last mouth but given any further allegations. ay Mr Agee, who unbridge with his wo children, made

his final plea to the Home Office and it was thought it would take some time for it to be examined. But Mr Rees considered that no new ground was covered and decided to act.

was covered and decided to act.

The advice of the three members of the advisory committee is not to be made public but it is asserted by sources that they recommended that deportations abould go ahead.

Mr Dennis Muirhead, solicitor for Mr Hosenball, said yesterday that he had discussed

terday that he had discussed the matter with counsel and decided to go to the High Court. It is intended to argue that Mr Rees failed to comply with the Immigration Act. 1971, by not giving further particulars of the allegations against Mr Hosen-ball, and that the Act's reference to actions not conducive to public order refers to mat-ters likely to arise in the future

and not to the past.

Mr Hosenball, after hearing Mr Rees in the Commons, said he believed he was being deported for an article in Time Out, a magazine for which he used to work, giving details of a government communications centre at Cheltenham; the article was written largely by someone else, and help was given by government officials.

He said the decision to deport him was an "outrage and an attempt by the Government to restrict journalists. It is a direct attack by the Home Office and perhaps the secret service on journalists and it is an attempt to tell journalists what they cun investigate".

Mr Paul Rose, Labour MP for Manchester, Blackley, said that Mr Roy Jenkins had thrown out the file calling for deportation but M. Rees had not had enough stature to do the same. Later the Home Office denied that Mr Jenkins bad seen the files when he was

Home Secretary. Mr Simon Jenkins, editor of the Evening Standard, con-demned the deportations. He said there appeared to be mem-

bers of the secret services who Continued on page 2, col 3

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oranizatic telephone interviews
with leading "dropouts and
pretenders" readers of The
Times were kept informed
of the humiliation being heaped
on people in Czechoslovakia.
Working at a distance of several hundred kilometres the paper's Bonn correspondent vividly described his telephone conver ic crisis, unemploy- sation with Pavel Kohour at the moment when the bad Czechoslovak security forces hich said the Czecho- were forcing their way into his erument should "get flat".

What he somehow forgot to tell his readers was how it was possible for this once leading representative of young socialist culture to give interviews calmly from his flat and freely meet correspondents who had made the journey to Prague.—

Maria Ma



Van Dyck for nation: A double portrait by Van Dyck, valued at about £400,000, has been acquired by the National Gollery in a deal that will help to pay death duties on the Spencer estate at Airhorp, near Northampton (our Arts Reporter writes). The painting of Lady Elizabeth Thimbleby and Dorothy Viscountess Andover, was bought from Lord Spencer for an undisclosed sum under private treaty. It is no show at the callery from today.

is on show at the gallery from today. It was cleaned there and has been revealed in glowing golds and pinks, as a superb example

Unions kill

pre-Budget

to 11 Downing Street for a working dinner with Mr Healey

and fellow Cabinet ministers, across with an ambitious review

of Britain's trading and employment prospects for 1977.

social contract came under

renewed pressure from train drivers, who served notice on the British Railways Board that

they intend to work for the

They are demanding a pay

award large enough to make up

for ground lost over the pass

two years. The National Union

of Railwaymen thinks that may be about £20, but the unions

are not pressing for an immedi-

Mr Ray Buckton, general sec-retary of the Associated Society

of Locomorive Engineers and Firemen, told British Rail that his union would do all it could

within the democratic processes of the labour movement to en-

sure that the unious were freed

The form of pay restraint to follow the expiry of the 4! per cent policy on July 31 remained

undecided after last night's meeting of the TUC economic

countittee. Mr Len Murray general secretary of the TUC

said: "We are going into dis cussions with the aim of reach

ing an agreement, but it takes

two sides to make an agreement."

Crown pieces for

About 25 million silver jubilee

crown pieces, with a face value

of 25p, will be available as nor

mal coins of the realm from March 15 from banks and post

offices, it was announced yester

day. A silver version, intended as

a collector's item, may be bought by direct mail order from the Royal Mint Numis-

silver jubilee

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"shackles of recent

are rise on that scale.

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ending of wage controls.

Earlier, the TUC-Government

hopes of

pay deal

By Paul Routledge

Labour Editor

of Van Dyck's gifts as a colourist. It was painted in oil on canvas about 1637 during the artist's residence in England as court painter to Charles I. It is the eighth Van Dyck in the gallery's collection, the first of a woman and the first double portrait.

Lord Spencer, whose collection includes other paintings by Van Dyck, Reynolds and Gainsborough, sold the picture as a result of the death of his father in 1975. He said it had been in his family for nearly 300 years and he was

Archbishop of Uganda Temples of arrested after Amin overthrow plot

From Charles Harrison Kampala, Feb 16

The Anglican Archbishop of Uganda, Dr Janani Luwum, and two Government ministers were arrested tonight in connexion with a reported plot to over-throw President Idi Amin.

The ministers are Lieutenant-Colonel Erinavo Orvema, who before the 1971 military coup was the Ugandu Commissioner of Police, and Mr Charles Oboth Ofumbi, Minister of Internal Affairs.

Their arrests were announced a few hours after a bizarre ceremony at which 3,000 troops watched other conspirators reading confessions. No figure for the total number of arrests so far has been appounced.

In an interview here today President Amin said he will be visiting Britain in June for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers conference and to attend the Queen's jubilee celebrations. Fe said the absence of diplomatic relations with Britain would not affect his plans as the confer-ence was a Commonwealth ence event.

At today's ceremony, diplomats, ministers and church leaders watched as three Ugandans stood at a microphone and read out confessions relating to the alleged attempt to overthrow President Amin earlier this week.

Laid our before them were nearly 100 Chinese automatic rifles, thousands of rounds of ammunition and piles of hand grenades, along with 22 suit-cases in which the wearons were said to have been discovered hidden among clothing and

After the statements had been read, the Vice-President, General Mustafa Adrisi, asked the troops what should be done to the three Ugandans. In reply they shouted: "Kill them, kill them now!".

But President Amin later addressed the troops and told them to control their tempers. There could be no summary executions, he said, and military trials would be held when investigations were complete.

Among the audience were

Among the audience were seven Anglican bishops, led by the archbishop. His name and that of Bishop Yona Okot of Bukedi were mentioned in a memorandum read to the gathering, and allegedly written by former President Obote, setting out a plan to overthrow the Amin regime.

Dr Obote is in exile in Tan-zania. The memorandum said people who are above suspicion, such as Dr Luwum and Bishop Okot, should be used to smuggle arms into Uganda for the plot. The archbishop shook his head in silent denial as his

name was read out. Nairobi: The All-Africa Con-ference of Churches (AACC) today sent a telegram to President Amin expressing "distress over current reports of a new wave of massacres in Uganda". It asked him to allow an AACC delegation to visit Uganda to investigate the allegations against Dr Luwum.

The AACC also quoted from a copy of a letter sent to President Amin by the archbishop and 18 other Ugandan bishops. It said security men had broken into Dr Luwum's residence on February 5 by using a tortured prisoner to persuade him to open his door.—Reuter.

Condition of

Mr Crosland

hospital says

The deterioration in the con-

dition of Mr Crosland since he was admitted to the Radeliffe Infirmary at Oxford on Sunday has been halted, the Foreign

The hospital stated yesterday afternoon that the Foreign Secretary remained critically ill, and added: "he these cases this is not at all an unusual state of affairs in that the condition appears to be stable.

dition appears to be stable. This is something that can go

of time with no change at all.

improving nor deteriorating. The deterioration has gone no

Wives' alarm: Some MPs' wives

alarmed about Mr Crosland's illness, are calling for cooperation among MPs to try to reduce overwork (the Press Association reports).

Mrs Jane Litterick, wife of Mr Thomas Litterick, Labour MP for Birmingham, Selly Oak, said: "Sometimes I think that

only the dropping dead of the whole Cabinet would make some

farther since yesterday.

"His condition is neither

is 'stable'

By Our Diplomatic

Office said yesterday.

Correspondent

Baalbek damaged by gunfire

From Robert Fisk
Baalbek, Feb 16
The great temples of
Baalbek, perhaps the most
important monuments to
Roman civilization in the
Middle East, have been
damaged by shells and gunfire
from Palestinian guerril'as.
The acres of archaeological
remains, including the 62ft high
temple of Bacchus which withstood a big earthquake in the
eighteenth century, still stand
as majestically as ever on the
edge of this small Muslim town
in the Bekaa valley, and when
tourists return to Lebanon and
visit Baalbek they may not
immediately notice the war
damage.

Archaeologists and classical scholars, however, are likely to feel a sense of loss when they next tour the magnificent ruins. Machine gun bullets have pockmarked a wall at the northern marked a wall at the northern end of the temple of Jupiter, two armoured shells have broken away part of the wall of a Roman tower a hundred yards away and, by far the most serious depredation, a rocket has smashed into the top of the immense of one of the immense pillars on the outside of the temple of

Bacchus. The damage was caused when The damage was caused when Palestinian guerrillas opened fire on Syrian troops who had been billeted inside the ruins. No visitors are allowed inside the temples and soldiers with automatic rifles refuse to allow civilians to enter the gates in front of the temple of Bacchus. In the thirteenth century, the Arnhe used the ruins as a for-Arabs used the ruins as a fortress and the Syrian unit stationed there, now with the Arab League peacekeeping

army, has converted the site temporarily into a military area. This morning a Syrian officer gave me permission to walk round the temples. Tents have been pitched at various points across the site and the troops have placed mortars and rocket-launchers in the hexagonal courtyard next to the propyles on the eastern corner

A Syrian private, who was instructed to accompany me, pointed out the rocket damage. The rocket had hir the top of the column and left a gash several yards wide on part of the roof frieze, tearing off carved stone and breaking the frieze at the summir of the column.

On the ground beside the temple basement I found the temple basement I found the smashed remains of the frieze in what must have been a thousand pieces. A small chunk of marble, looking as fresh as it must have done the day the Romans quarried it, crumbled in my bend.

The soldier took me along the wall beside the 65ft columns of the temple Jupiter. At the back of the temple remains he showed me a wall of marble, one slab of which was pitted with bullet

holes. "I was with four other men sleeping beneath the wall two months ago when those Pales-tinians fired at us", he said. "The bullers just missed us." The steel-jacketed bullers can still be seen subsedded in the still be seen embedded in the

The Syrian troops seem to have caused no damage to the temples themselves, but the unit inside such invaluable Leading article, page 15 civilization is open to question.

New peace attempt on Rhodesia ' very soon '

Cape Town, Feb 16 .- The South African, British and Trade union leaders last night American Governments are finally disposed of the Chan-cellor's hopes for an agreement on pay restraint before his spring Budget. soon to discuss a new initiative on Rhodesia that could have far-reaching consequences in After a two-and-a-half-hour meeting senior members of the TUC economic committee went the whole of southern Africa. Dr Hilgard Muller, the South African Foreign Minister, said here today.

Staring that South Africa would do all it possibly could to bring about a peaceful solution in Rhodesia, Dr Muller said the meeting between representhe three ments " will take place in the very near future"

He did not confirm reports from Washington that Mr Pik Botha, the South African Ambassador there and Foreign Minister-designate, would meet soon with a British representa-tive and Mr William Schaufele, the American Assistant Secre-tary of State. But I can say discussions will probably be taking place in the very near future. There are great expectations about the new initiative which is about to be taken". Dr Muller added.

Although the Geneva conference which brought the parties together had proved a failure, Dr Muller said the new initiative has come about through recent contacts between the two warring groups.

He said South Africa's rela-tions with other African countries would improve greatly ouce the issues of Rhodesia and Namibia (South-West Africa) were solved.—Agence France-

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: The Foreign Office said yesterday that it had no know-ledge of any such meeting. The review of policy on Rho-desia is continuing in London and in due course there will

certainly be consultations with Washington. It may well be that these discussions are wid-ened later, to include South Africa, but nothing has been arranged at this stage. Our Washington Correspondent writes: British and American

officials will meet next week to discuss Rhodesia but a State Department spokesman said he knew of no South African in-volvement. The Anglo-American conference will not be at a high matic Bureau, at Llantrisant, Mid Glamorgan, at £12.50 each. Border area restricted, page 5

nto consideration extra work to

Earnings and prices gap widens further

Average earnings rose by 5.4 tion during the first half of this per cent in the first five months of the present pay policy an annual rate of 15 per cent, the little margin for any earnphase, using up most of the ings increases in the remaining near 7 per cent increase over

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the republic. Except for yester-day's fatality, all were blacks, day's fatality, all were including a student who fell to his death on Tuesday at Johannesburg police headquarters
Page 5 Synod condemns

may appeal

The Supplementary Benefits Commission is considering an appeal to the House of Lorde after losing a case over parental contributions in assessing stu-dent claims. The case may affect benefit rights for 150,000 students. A former law student who brought the case will not automatically be awarded bene-Law Report, page 6

Police seeking right to strike

Breakdown of pay talks between the Police Federation and the Home Secretary has brought fierce criticism from represen-tatives of Britain's 120,000 policemen. A resolution is exnual conference in May de-manding the right to strike, at manding the right to present forbidden by law Page 4

At least 300 people have died authorities have issued warnings about the danger of epidemics Page 6

Synod, page 16 Final Test drawn England and India drew the fifth Test match in Bombay, leaving England 3-1 winners of the series. England, needing

after President Carter con-

firmed the trial period granted

by the Ford Administration last

year Carter message page 5

A motion criticizing blasphe-

mous language on radio and television was carried by the General Synod of the Church

of England by 205 votes to nine. The BBC and the independent

television companies were told of the grave offence caused by repeatedly allowing holy names

to be dishonoured

TV blasphemy

214 to win, were 152 for seven at the close. lrish prisoners: A new poten-tial source of friction between the Irish and British govern-ments emerged in the Dail over terrorists in English jails, but at Westminster Mr Rees rebutted complaints

Tax reform: Proposals for reform of the taxation system have been put forward by Sir Geoffrey Howe, shadow Chan-cellor of the Exchequer 4 Brussels: EEC and Soviet Union open negotiations aimed regulating fish catches in each other's waters

Storm blame: Heat generated by London contributed to the worst British storm on record, which occurred over Hampstead in August, 1975 Science report, page 16

Obituary, page 16 Professor Harry Thorpe; Mr John Owen; Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Craddock Sport, pages 10 and 11
Racing: Michael Phillips confirms

that Lanzarote will run in the Gold Cup; Rugby Union: McKinney replaces the injured Deering in Irish team; Football: Wrexham await inquiry into referee's actions review
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Rocky, page 8 Business News, pages 17-22
Stock markets: The FT index closed a further 9.1 up at 385.2, a gain of almost 19 points in two days. Monday's big losses have now been wiped out Financial Editor: UDT prones its balance sheet; Gearing benefits at Carrington Viyella; Waiting for the next move on interest rates

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Help the

Lives are being devastated by lifelong deafness; profoundly deaf children are unable to learn speech or language

Inability to share the thoughts of others through the spoken or the printed word is alienating thousands of deaf people from much that makes life meaningful. Profound deafness just does not go away-but pursues one relentlessly throughout life, within the family circle, at work, at play, always isolating, depriving, inhibiting.

Communication is surely beyond price.

The British Deaf Association relies on gifts and legacies to promote a wide programme for developing communication skills and educational facilities, deaf people everywhere appeal for awareness and understanding of their problems.

Will you help please?



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A NATIONAL CHARITY FOUNDED IN 1890

w hospital may need £8m to make it safe estimated a finishing time in late 1978, but that did not take

ial inquiry has begun design of the new Teaching Hospital, been declared unsafe fire standards. Tests made but the latest for remedial work lat it may cost £8m take the new hospital rding to today's issue uction News.

a and design difficulthat the hospital may before it is finished : al estimate was £13m. rseyside Fire Brigade, an advisory capacity, a confidential report indicating that a main s in the podium roof, four acres in size and nost a thousand rooms. s also a risk of smoke,

upper storeys of other

Tames from a roof fire



great deal has been learnt about fires since then. A specialist in hospital, and it was discovered that many inside walls did not go up inside the ceilings, thus fire prevention is examining the creating dangerous voids.

The inquiry was ordered by the Mersey Regional Health Authority, which said it ought problem to suggest the develop-

ment apropriate to the recom-Mr Ian McPherson, project not to be assumed that any par-ticular individual or body had director for Boxis Fee Management, the last of a series of coain the complex.

been at fault.

The building was designed work in the hospital, which is other parts of the more than ten years ago and a began in 1965, said they had

"If we do have to go into the roof and ceiling voids, you an imagine what effect it will have on the decorations, which we are working on now. We are continuing to work at our clanned rate because we have had no variation order."

make the building safe.

Merseyside Fire Erigade the Home Office are acting in a purely advisory capacity. There have been very close liaison and cooperation between the fire brigade, the Home Office, the Fire Research Station and the Department of

since the situation came to "A large measure of agreement has been reached as to the steps to be taken, under the supervision of the DHSS, to establish the nature of the remedial action to be taken."

Health and Social Security

near 7 per cent increase over period of the present phase the 12-month period estimated underlines the stresses facing when agreement was reached on the social contract. As inflamonths Page 17 Another S Africa British plea on Concorde

A white prisoner, trying to escape from his cell in Durban, called on the Port Authority of fell and killed himself. Since last March, 19 persons have died while being detained in tude to Concorde landing rights

Benefit body

300 die in floods

in southern Mozambique since the area has been hit by floods from the Limpopo river. Villages have been washed away and the country's best agri-cultural land devastated. The

Leader page, 15 Letters: On parole and public opinion, from Lord Hunt, and others; on the cost of rzil commuting, from Mr Peter Parker Leading articles: The Cabinet; Deportations; EEC farm prices

Books, page 8 Michael Rauliffe on the latest two Machael Rachille on the latest two volumes of the Macaulay letters; Louis Heren on In Our Time by Godfrey Hodgson; Sheridan Morley on the memoirs of Mary Martin; Peter Tinniswood on Hammond Innes's new novel

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Allegations by Irish prisoners are rejected by Mr Rees

By Clive Borrell Crime Correspondent

Provisional IRA terrorists subtle infiltration they perserving prison sentences in Bran expect no amnesty, Mir Peres, the Home Secretary, lar brutality at the hands of til in a Commons written reply prison staff. yesterday.

The IRA was campaigning inside prisons to support claims that its members should be granted political status and be regarded as prisoners of war.

These men and women have

been convicted and sentenced ... for criminal offences". Mr Rees said. "Misbehaviour will continue to be dealt with

fairly but firmly."
Allegations of discrimination against IRA prisoners were un-founded and the Government did not recognize any political-

prisoner status, he said.
"There are 93 prisoners connected with Irish republican organizations serving prison sentences in England and Wales for terrorist offences. The offences committed by those prisoners include murder, multiple murder, attempted murder and causing explosions. Seventyfive of the prisoners are in the highest security category, A." Many of the terrorists had

committed offences against prison discipline, including mutiny and assaults on prison staff, for which they have been punished.

This harassment of prison staff has included the making

of allegations of ill-treatment followed by refusals to cooperate in any investigation of the complaints", he added.

Mr Rees's statement was welcomed by the Prison Officers'

Association last night. Officers have felt frustrated about being unable to reply to the IRA allegations.

They maintain that IRA men sent to Britain are instructed to

treatment of IRA men From Christopher Walker

The alleged ill-treatment of suade other long-term prisoners some of more than a hundred to smuggle out letters alleging convicted IRA terrorists serv that they are victims of regu-

ing their time if they are sure their wives and kids are safe

"When they hear about bombings and shootings in or

near their own homes they start to worry about their safety and

it is natural they get angry with these young Irishmen who

keep spouting about the 'cause' and all that IRA propaganda."
Our Political Editor writes: Mr

jured, as were 19 prison offi-

cers. The six now allege that they were assaulted and that medical attention was denied or

unreasonably delayed, a charge

denied by the Home Office.

COUNTRY LIFE

Wild Life Number

PROTECTION WITH A PURPOSE

David Tomlinson traces the histories

of two of Britain's major ornithological bodies

the RSPB and the Wildfowl Trust

and looks at their future plans.

WHAT FUTURE FOR SCOTLAND'S WILDCAT?

Lea MacNally discusses the habits

and future of the wildcat, which is now confined

to the Highlands of Scotland, and dispels some of

the myths surrounding this elusive creature.

Kenneth Williamson gives the reasons why the recently published Allas of Breeding

Birds in Britain and Ireland marks an

exciting new era in ornithology.

WHEN FASTING IS NO HARDSHIP

Leonard Appelby describes how some snakes

can apparently control their own metabolism.

and are able to survive fasts of several months without even losing weight.

On sale now

Here is the Burberry forecast:

A BIRD ATLAS FOR BRITAIN

ing long sentences in English jails emerged yesterday as a new potential source of friction between the Irish and British In fact. IRA men are more likely to suffer injury from fellow prisoners, if they are left unsupervised during exercise governments. periods for more than a few minutes. In most prisons IRA terrorists are regarded by hard-ened criminals with as much hatred as child murderers.

During a heated exchange in the Dail Mr John Kelly, Parlia-mentary Secretary to the Minis-ter for Foreigo Affairs, dis-closed that diplomatic contact over the treatment of 41 Irish prisoners had taken place in It is that threat from other prisoners that has caused IRA the past three years. He was answering questions from Mr Neil Blaney, a staunchly republican Independmen to be segregated in maximum security sections for their own safety. That in turn has led many to complain that staff

Dublin upset

by English

ent deputy, about allegations of prison officers' brutality against IRA men held in Albany prison, on the Isle of Wight. treat them differently from other prisoners.
A senior officer said last night: "There is a code of con-duct in prison. Most profes-sional villains do not mind do-

In a parliamentary statement, Mr Kelly said his Government was satisfied that, in most cases was satisfied that, in most cases involving Irishmen imprisoned in Britain, there were no significant difficulties. But, he continued: "In the cases of some persons sentenced for terrorist offences in Britain in recent years there have been allegations of maltreatment of which I am aware and which are heing I am aware and which are being examined in detail.

"Aspects of the treatment of 41 prisoners, including 11 in prisons on the Isle of Wight, have so far been discussed with Rees yesterday refused to pub-lish a report on disturbances the British authorities since 1974, I expect to complete in-quiries in the near future and involving six Irish republican prisoners at Albany prison, Isle of Wight, last September.

The prisoners were said to have repeatedly defied orders to drop weapons and were into be in contact at a political level with the British authorities to ensure that all Irish

prisoners are properly treated."
The exchanges over the jailed terrorists delayed question time. they were assaulted and that medical attention was denied or increasonably delayed, a charge denied by the Minister for Justice about complaints of brutality against members of the Garda Siochana.

Warning on foreign service cuts By Our Labour Staff

British diplomats have given a warning that they are pre-pared to "withdraw good will" if an inquiry into the Diplo-matic Service by the Central Policy Review Staff (the "think tank"), due to be completed in April, leads to big reductions. The Diplomatic Service branch of the Society of Civil and Public Servants said yesterday that support had been received from members for

militant action.
The survey showed lack of enthusiasm among diplomats for a transfer to export pro-motion work or to the Home Civil Servic in the event of

mr Eric Brent, the union's national officer for the Diplomatic Service, said there would be a withdrawal of good will if the report meant a big reduction in numbers, and relations between the staff and their superiors would become sour. Some estimates suggest that the "think tank" will recommend a cut of about 30 per cent in the foreign service. cent in the foreign service, her employer, and was respon-which at present has 6,500 sible for the episode.

guilty attempting to murder wife of corruption George Newman, aged 71, of Chadsfield Road, Rugeley, chair-A former Scottish National Party parliamentary candidate was cleared in the High Court, Glasgow, yesterday, on the ground of insanity, of attemp-ting to murder his wife.

Mrs Thatcher canvasses: Mrs Thatcher, Leader of the

Opposition, receiving a flower from Lucy Pemberton, aged

five, during a canvassing tour of the City of London and Westminster, South, constituency yesterday. She accom-

panied Mr Peter Brooke, the Conservative candidate in the

by-election next Thursday, caused by the appointment of

Mr Christopher Tugendhat as an EEC commissioner. During

her tour Mrs Thatcher met taxi drivers, people on a counci

chaosited Road, Rugeley, chairman of Staffordshire County Council and of the county police authority, was convicted at Stafford Crown Court vesterday of 15 charges of corruptly receiving a total of \$3,000. He was also convicted Lord Grieve sent Ronald Edwards, aged 45, of Glenview, Cumbernaud. Strathclyde, a teacher and former Cumbernauld borough treasurer, to Woodilee mental hospital for of corruptly receiving a car in 1962. Sentence was postponed

Councillor found

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Mr Newman was cleared of forging a letter, conspiring to defeat the ends of public justice Jack Nicklin, aged builder, of Gorse Lane, Brere-ton, Staffordshire, was found guilty on 14 charges of cor-ruptly giving Mr Newman a ruptly giving Mr Newman a rotal of £2,000. He was cleared of two charges of corruptly giv-ing him £1,200.

Call for facts on scientists' oppression

"three or four days, just for comfort" before his release was

Agnes, aged 39, with a chisel after she had said: "I am not

going to grow old with you".

Mrs Edwards told the court

that she had bad an affair with

Edwards stabbed his

estate, and a road sweeper.

Man cleared of

By Marcel Berlins

A report on scientists' rights proposes setting up an indepen-dent international information centre as a clearing house for evidence about governments' per-secution and oppression of their scientists.

The report, Scholarly Freedom and Human Rights, has been prepared by the Council for Science and Society in collaboration with the British Institute of Human Rights.

Its theme is that internationally accepted laws and codes cover the scientist's right to-pursue his calling free from state interference, but that they are insufficiently known or

The report calls on individual scientists, organizations, learned

societies and relevant govern-ment agencies to study the human rights instruments, and publicly support their provisions for scholarly freedom.

"Since these instruments have been signed and ratified by many national governments. such an expression of support could scarcely be regarded as politically provocative or 'dissi-dent' in any country."

The report, which names no countries, lists ways in which scientists are being oppressed.
They include exile, imprisonment, torture, the scientist's dismissal from his post and more subtle forms of persecution such as preventing him from doing particular research, attending international confer-caces, publishing his papers in

him, Mr Rees firmly told MPs

that those who were shouting

did not have access to the

papers. He rejected all calls for further information on the

alleged crimes were so serious the men should be brought to trial, but Mr Rees replied that he had considered possible

procedures but could find no

way in which the sources of information could be protected.

As the hubbub continued, he

made clear that no more could

be disclosed without endanger-

ing the lives of British intelli-

gence agents.

Mr Rees pointed out that

Britain was unique in having

a system under which foreigners visiting the country

had a right of appeal against

deportation.

Union.

deportation. He rejected attempts to equate his decision

with what was happening in

Czechoslovakia or the Soviet

Mr Whitelaw said that although the House was rightly jealous of individual

MPs suggested that if the

charges and evidence.

scientific journals, or reading papers published by others in his field.

It discusses forms of sanc-tions that the international scientific community can im-pose on countries with poor records in upholding the scien-ies's rights. It can be seentist's rights. It can, for instance, decline invitations to confer-

ences in those countries.

The proposed clearing house would collect and evaluate information about alleged oppression. Assessment of whether the acts complained of were breaches of international human rights law should be made by the International Commission of Jurists, the report suggests.

Scholarly Freedom and Human Rights (Barry Rose Publishers, Unichester, Sussex).

Uproar in Commons over deportation orders

against investigative journalism. The two cases should not be confused; Mr Hosenball's deportation was a great shock.

In Edinburgh, Mr Agee, who has been on a tour speaking at colleges and universities, said he had gone to Scotland to see whether there was any protection under Scottish law. Later the Scottish Office said whether Mr Agee had any redress under Scots law was an unprecedented issue that had never been tested.

Reaction to the deportations built up swiftly after the an-nouncement in London. The Agee-Hosenball Defence Com-

mittee said it would picket the Home Office today. Mr Kenneth Morgan, gen-eral secretary of the National Union of Journalists, said there was a serious danger that other dated.

Our Parliamentary Correspondent writes: To a deafening chorus of yells and growns from some sections of the Labour Party, matched by loud cheers from the Conservative benches, Mr Rees announced his decision in the Commons yesterday.

Not for years has there been

such a caterwaul of protest in the House. As some MPs, mainly on the Labour left. seemed close to apoplexy, Mr George Thomas, the Speaker, only to ministers. intervened to get a hearing for

LSE students to continue protest London School of Economics students voted by 511 to 124 Mr Rees and Mr Whitelaw, shadow Home Secretary.
As cries of "shame" and
"Czechoslovakia" echoed about

yesterday to continue their oc-cupation of the administrative block in protest at academic fec increases. Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, the director of the school, has warned them that he may seek an injunction against them unless they leave by midday today.

The students' yote ended

hopes that a clash with the administration could be averted

Official for trial

Michael Ronald Alderton. aged 32, deputy director of financial services for Rotherham, was committed to Doncaster Crown Court yesterday, accused of eight offences of ishonestly obtaining £58,769 from the council.

£700 fine for spilt oil

London and Coastal Oil Wharves Ltd, of Canvey Island, Essex, was fined £700, with £40 costs, by Rochford magistrates yesterday for spilling more than 50,000 gallons of petroleum spirit on the island from a

liberty the security of the state must come first. As Labour MPs shouted "Go back to Russia". Mr Whitelaw said Stolen metal can kill Police in Gloucestershire issued a warning last night that 50 bales of cadmium, the bluishthere were inevitably matters that could be given in evidence white metal resembling tin, Parliamentary report, page 7 Mitcheldean, is dangerously Leading article, page 13 poisonous. from a factory at

Government on road to reconciliate differences with party executions

By Mithael Harfield

Labour's great attempt to reconcile the differences between the Government and the party's national executive by holding a joint meeting yesterday was seen last night by many of the participants as being at least a half if not total success.

Although the Prime Minister refused to withdraw his criticisms of the national executive's "negative attitudes", he left the meeting believing that pro-gress had been made towards bringing about a reconciliation. The national executive has

been the Government's most trenchant critic in the past two ears but last night ministers believed that two left-wing members on the executive council, Mr Norman Atkinson, party treasurer, and Mr Eric Heffer, had isolated them-selves in the contributions they made. Mr Callaghan made abun-

dantly clear to the executive that the Government was de-termined to adhere to its central economic policy and that there was no question of adopting an alternative strategy. He told the left-wing critics that they would not convince the Chancellor of the Exchequer to change his policy, and he shared Mr Healey's view. "You really cannot ask us to change policy because

and dockers

bargaining.
At Southampton,

reject phase 3

out against a third round of

wage restraint. Meetings at Southampton, Hull and Heath-

row airport voted in favour of a return to free collective

Ar Southampton, 1,500 dockers, members of the Transport and General Workers'

The unions will press a long

ist of economic demands on the

Chancellor. The TUC's annual

economic review, the text of

which was approved last night,

calls for a planned expansion of the economy, with a reduction

in unemployment consistent with a reduction in the rate of

The review expresses serious

disappointment about the Gov-

ernment's record in implement-

ing its industrial strategy through coming agreements and

the strengthening of manufac-

turing industry to improve Britain's industrial performance.

But its most serious criticism is reserved for Labour's record

on prices. In a five-point bar-

rage of complaints the TUC de-mands that the Government

should demonstrate its ability to investigate and control in-

dividual prices in addition to

powers available under the

The Cabinet is also urged to resist EEC moves to devalue the "green pound," the EEC farm unit of account, "in isolation

price code.

TUC attacks Labour's

Mr Healey, never one to pull his punches during internal party debates, said: "The Cabinet is on one side of the Grand Canyon and the national execu-

rive is on the other, and the NEC is trying to get us to meet Mr Callaghan, in his conclud-

ing remarks, said the Cabinet believed in its economic policy and it must and would go through. It was not possible to increase the standard of living at the moment. "The national executive may go on belly aching about it but it is no good kidding people otherwise."

Although he accepted the suggestion that the Government and the national executive should set up three or four study groups and a campaign committee, the Prime Minister rejected any suggestions that the latter should be a monitor-ing or preliminary manifesto committee.
Mr Atkinson was outspoken in his criticisms of the Govern-

ment, accusing ministers of complacency and thinking only about the day after tomorrow. Prices and jobs would win or lose Labour the next general

election, he said.

The Prime Minister should ask ministers what they were doing and if he felt they were not doing a good job he should replace them, not necessarily by others who had been at Oxford and Cambridge.

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Airport workers | Local authorities back for more wage restrain

Local government has de-

Dockers and airport workers yesterday joined the growing number of workers speaking clared itself behind the Government's call for a further period of pay restraint after the present stage expires in July. Representatives of local authorities are to meet Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employ-ment, next Wednesday to put

Commander Duncan Lock, chairman of the Association of Union, voted unanimously for an end to pay restraint when the phase two agreement ex-District Councils, told a meet-ing of the association yesterday pires in July.

Their decision was echoed at that as the largest employer in the country with 2,500,000 staff, local government had At Heathrow, only six votes at a mass meeting of 900 workers the right to be deeply informed a continuation of the pay pact with the Government policy. Every 1 per cent increase

from a radical change in the common agricultural policy". The unions seek to prevent

an increase in indirect taxation, such as VAT, and argue the need to stimulate industrial

activity to bring down prices through greater output. The

TUC calls on the Government to

maintain the pound at "as high a level as possible" given the high degree of sensitivity

No firm decision was taken

of the general price level to

on the date of a special trade

dict on any agreement between

TUC leaders and the Cabinet,

but it is certain that, like the deal itself, it will have to wait

until Mr Healey has shown his

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stiempts to breathe new life into the social contract by re-

emphasizing the commitment demonstrated by trade union-

ists in sticking lo two years of

wage restraint. In return, it calls for companies to bring forward their investment plans

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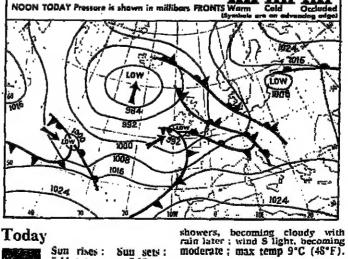
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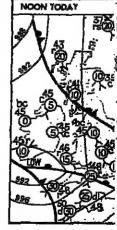
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N Wales. NW England, Lake District. Isle of Man, SW Scot-land, N Ireland: Rather cloudy, showers and sunny intervals, per-haps rain later; wind S, light or moderate; max temp 7°C (45°F). Yesterday NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Clasgow, Moray Firth, NE Scotland: Fog patches clearing, rather cloudy, rain or showers, becoming mainly dry, sunny periods; wind SE, moderate; max temp 6°C (43°F).

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With party Europe MPs fear | Compromise | 'Machiavellian tactics of the SNP are the most worrying issue' | Frustration of a Scots loyal Labour suppo irect elections

MPs who are early legislation ctions to the Eurosent by the target /-June, 1978, fear vernment is proroduce a new stall-White Paper settdifficulties and of arranging the ime allowed.

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and Welsh assembly elections the adoption of a similar sys-tem for elections to Westmin-ster would eventually follow. The Government is said to be considering a list system of the simplest kind. The whole of the United Kingdom would be treated as one constituency, electing 81 European MPs. Names of candidates would be publicized on party lists, and the elector would simply vote for the party of his choice.

This prospect alarms pro-European Labour MPs because it would put immense power into the hands of party head-quarters and the left-dominated national executive over the choice of prospective candidates

But it is argued that, in the time available, only a simple proportional - representation system could be arranged. That also has the advantage of being less expensive.

The composition of the Labour delegation could be carefully controlled by the choice of names at the top end of the list and there would be an obvious desire to ensure a balance between pro-European and anti-European Labour mem-

irnment's sudden roportional repreter defending the post system for so seen as an attempt, ollaboration of the convention committing it to a convention committing it to a convention committing it to make the arrangements by MayJune, 1978, and ministers have recently given assurances that Britain will try to keep to that

According to politicians with strong links in Brussels, the Government is likely to propose at the next European summit that the target date for the elections should be put off until the autumn of 1978.

Although Mr Callaghan is said

be in favour of some kind of proportional-representation system, the Cabinet has yet to consider the second paper being prepared by the Home Office, and the decision might go against any change from the first-past-the-post method.

plan is urged for Europe

By a Staff Reporter An electoral plan offering a compromise between supporters of the "first-past-the-post" of the "first-past-the-post"
Westminster system and
believers in full proportional
representation is suggested
today for the election of 81
British members to the European Parliament

In a pamphlet published by the National Committee for Electoral Reform, Mr Michael Steed says the unthinking introduction of the existing system used for national elections would be potentially disastrous for most British political parties and for parliamentary demo-

Mr Steed, a lecturer in the Department of Government at Manchester University, calls on the Government to change its mind, even at this late stage, before publishing the Bill seting out its proposed voting system for the 1978 European

He suggests adopting the Finnish electoral system adapted to the British ballot paper. In that way, although candidates would be nominated by a number of electors, two or more candidates, up to the total number of seats in the constituency, could declare themselves a team.

Thus parties would, in effect, nominate one candidate, or a team of candidates, and the votes for each team, or party, would be added together. The party's share of the votes would determine how many seats it won. The returning officer would declare elected as many candidates from each party as it had won seats, determining those elected by the numbers of their personal votes.

Mr Steed says the present system applied to European elections might produce chaotic results and the vote would not have to be very lopsided to produce extremely lopsided vic-

Fair Elections or Fiasco?: Pro posals for a Sensible Voting System for the European Parlia-ment (National Committee for Electoral Reform, Sop).

Frustration of a Scots loyal Labour supporter

From Ronald Faux

Mr Norman Buchan paced his lounge uneasily, sifting aloud through a jumble of vexed ideas through a jumble of vexed ideas about devolution and echoing the frustrations shared by many other loyal Labour supporters in Scotland. He, MP for Renfrewshire, West, confessed he had never before been so worried by such an issue or so concerned about the Machiavellian tactics of the Scottish National Party (SNP).

"I am well beyond bashing the nationalists because I believe the first line of defence is already overrun", he said.

is already overrun", he said.
"We are on the second line now
and frankly my worry is over
separation and the political
forces which would erupt
rhen."

Mr Buchan is a respected voice in his party. There is, his colleagues will agree, much valuable thought going on behind that thin, anxious face. He took another turn across the lounge, like some lean admiral

willing the enemy fleet to come out and fight.

"We have got to tackle them directly on separatism but they are so slippery", be said.

"They stand to win all round in the referendum if the second

RAF to get 24

VTO fighters

By Our Air Correspondent

from the original order placed for this unusual type of fighter. Hawker Siddeley also has an order for 25 Harriers for the

Royal Navy, and have delivered

more than a hundred to the United States Marines.

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the 1980s ".

not asked. If the Bill is killed, it will exacerbate the situation in Scotland, but if it goes through, nothing will be altered. My strategy has been to get the Bill through, as good a Bill as we can get, and present it to the Scotlish people. But the second question must be put, for without it, the assembly will be wrecked in the first couple of years.

assembly will be wrecked in the first couple of years."

The Cabinet, he says, had cold feet about agreeing with him. They most likely took the view that if independence was to be an issue, the whole of the United Kingdom had a right to vote: "You cannot say to one roughe? We are to one group of people 'We are giving you the right to decide', and just to make sure then bring in another group ten times as big. That would produce the very effect it might have sought to prevent. "It is just not on to ask the question in England, so we

do not exercise the right and we do not ask it. There are plenty of rights which people have but which they do not exercise. Mr Sam Silkin is a classic example of that at the moment." Another difficulty was that devolution raised barely a flutter in Labour's left wing,

The trouble with devolution was that it had no immmediate

line of defence.

with which Mr Buchan is most closely identified. Who, he asked, was going to campaign in support of the Bill with the same fiery enthusiasm he would use in fighting the bastions of capitalism?

impact on people's lives, or whether they had a job. The assembly was fine, seen in terms of Scots expressing their own nationhood, but devolution had occurred when the Government was under pressure from separatists. The exercise had been wrongly timed. Mr Buchan does not seem im-

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pressed by the tactical stand his party has taken against the nationalists. The SNP had won the semantic argument over "separatism". In some curious way, no one now regarded the SNP's independence theme as separatist. "It is, and to a dangerous extent. The Government have to meet them dirment have to meet them directly on that one single issue, because a party winning an election on such a basis has an absolute open mandate. That is the greatest danger of all."

In the Renfrew area alone, he said, an independent Scotland would mean the loss of
thousands of jobs simply because the Central Electricity
Generating Board in England
would naturally channel work
for power stations to English
firms, and the main employer in
the constituency would lose up
to nine-tenths of its present
market. Mr Buchan: On the second

Decision on timetable of devolution Bill expected

By Our Political Reporter Cabinet ministers are pected to decide today whether the Government should bring in the guillorine on the Scotland and Wales Bill next week. Government business managers, led by Mr Foot, Leader of the House, are understood to have decided to make the recommendation to Cabinet. despite all the well rehearsed

Although the Government has no hope of getting the Bill through the Commons without the timetable motion, there may be enough dissidents on Labour's benches to ensure

difficulties that that might in-

defeat. However, government business managers believe that now the issue over a referendum has been fully debated little time should be lost in bringing in a timetable motion.

The Government yesterday tabled its new clauses on the consultative referendum.

Radioactivity checks on cattle urged

Chemical analysis of farm animals was recommended yesterday to guard against excessive intake of radioactive elements by humans in their

The National Radiological Protection Board said: "To monitor this potential hazard the analysis of lungs, respiratory lymph nodes, liver and bone from animals grazing in the vicinity of nuclear installations might be useful."

The board, which was worried about discharge of plutonium, curium and americium from tests of weapons and other nuclear activities, published a report on contamination by Dr Robert Bulman, one of its staff.

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pay beds expected

Health Services Correspondent

The phasing out of private beds from National Health Service hospitals and the control of facilities for private practice are likely to be slower than was envisaged when the Health Services Bill was rushed through Parliament last year by use of the guillotine. Only about 20 of four or five

for state and private patients awaiting hospital treatment. But delay in setting up the

board, caused mostly by disagreement between the medical profession and trade union interests about its composition, leaves only about three months for contentious and difficult decisions to be taken.

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the board meets for the first
time today under the chairmanship of Mr Ralph Gibson, QC.
Mr Ennals, Secretary of State
for Social Services, appointed
him only after he had resigned
bis connexions with the Transport and General Workers'
Union, to which doctors

objected, and his membership

One difficulty facing the board today is that, although its memberahip was finely halanced by appointing two doctors and two union officials as members, one of the doctors. podes when b

Today's meeting is a functional one at which such questions as what will consti-

chairman and deputy members should be appointed by the Secretary of Scate. No names have been announced yet, but consultations have taken place and deputies have agreed to

A schedule to the Act lists the first thousand of the 4,444 heds for private varients that the Secretary of State is empowered, since the Act became law, to change to other use. The Department of Health and Social Security taid yesterday that so far none had been and Social Security and rester-day that so far none had been phased out. The 90 area health authorities have been asked to make their formal proposals by the end of this month, having regard to the use of the beds and alternative facilities.

principle in April, 1975, to buy able, without breaking faith 27 of the Boeing aircraft. The with our allies, to consider our deal would be worth £1,450m, own interests. If we buy the or £53.7m for each aircraft. Boeing we shall be chipping deal would be worth £1,450m, or £53.7m for each aircraft. But Britain left herself with a loophole: a condition that her Nato allies would agree to contribute to the aircraft. Under intense pressure from

By Arthur Reed

trade unions and many other sources, the Government is seriously considering buying a fleet of British rather than The Ministry of Defence last night announced an order for a further 24 Harrier vertical take-off fighters, "to maintain the RAF's front-line force into American airborne early warning aircraft.

The two contending types are the British Hawker Siddeley Nimrod, a version of which is in service with the RAF in an Although no value was placed on it, informed sources said the order might be worth up to £100m to the British airanti-submarine role, and the American Boeing E3A, an air-craft based on the 707 320 craft industry. It will also save-many hundreds of jobs.

The RAF already has 90 Herriers in squadron service

Both are to be packed with advanced radar and electronics so that they will be aware of intruding enemy aircraft approaching when they are up to 200 miles away. Britain, as a Nato partner, was party to a decision in

warning programme so that only a reasonable proportion of the immense overall cost of the project would fall on her. So far such an agreement has not been forthcoming, and that, according to those pressing the British Government to change to the Nimrod, absolves the Government from any continuing responsibility towards the

Boeing proposal.

Lord Beswick chairmandesignate of the nationalized

Government may change from US planes away at our whole capability within Europe." Strong pressure is also coming from the unions within

Hawker Siddeley, particularly in the Manchester area, whose members make the Nimrod, and from unions at the Marconi-Ellion factory at Borehamwood, Hertfordshire, where the air-borne radar for the Nimrod is They are conducting a wide

lobby, which includes Mr Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, and all members of the Cabinet. Ministers in charge of employment and industry are said to be sympathetic to a change to Nimrod, but Mr Mulley continues to be worried British aircraft industry, who has been among those urging a change to Nimrod, but Mr the change on ministers, told Mulley continues to be worried me yesterday: "We are now about responses of Nato allies.

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hundred amendments, initiated aints related to mostly by doctors and supported by Conservative MPs, were debated. The Act, given Royal Assent on November 22, created Health Services Board and charged it with making procharged it with making pro-posals for the continuing phas-ing out of pay beds within six months of that date, if possible; and the duty by May 21 to establish common waiting lists based on medical priority alone

The board meets for the first

of Bups, the private health insurance organization to which trade unionists took exception.

will not be present. Dr Derek Stevenson, recently retired secretary of the British Medical Association, was in the Antiappointment and is on holiday.

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rvices Correspondent

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Obtaining relief from liability is proposed as a new offence, punishable by a maximum of five years' imprisonment. It would cover, for instance, cases of deception which dishonestly

secure being excused part or all of a debt by, for example, telling a false hard-luck story. It would make it unlawful for a stalling debtor to induce his creditor to wait for payment if his intention is never to make

The third category of offence of obtaining relief from liability covers dishonestly obtaining an exemption from, or a reduction of, liability to make a payment. An example would be where someone pretended to be a student to obtain travel facili-ties at a reduced rate.

Criminal Law Revision Committee.
Thirteenth report. Section 16 of
the Their Act 1968 (Stationery
Office, 60p).

tion of what happened under the £6 pay policy, which left a number of families receiving the supplement worse off when their wages rose. The July increase will not alter the extra amount of £4.50 a week for each child, or raise

aught in a new trap" because of pay policy. The first will be in July. The r the last rise, and add 1.25 a week to the the maximum supplement of 53.50 for a family with one child. nt paid to about 70,000

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Helping elderly to understand metric changes By Our Consumer Affairs Correspondent

A Metrication Board scheme designed to inform the elderly about the change to metric measurements, was launched yesterday by Mr Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection.

He said in London research indicated that the elderly feared they would find the change more complicated than any other group of people. They did not need special information, but had said that they could be helped in two

ways.
"One way is to have a short with someone "One way is to have a short, face-to-face chat with someone who knows about the few changes in the shops that all consumers will need to know about. The other is to have some sort of handy reference alout metric weights and measures printed in a clear and straightforward way."

Ministers do not believe that metrication should be difficult, but the more simply the facts can be presented, the easier the change will be.

Mustard-gas leak at hospital

change will be.

Mustard gas leaking from a container brought emergency services to the Royal Earlswood Hospital, Redhill, Surrey, yesterday. Firemen wearing breathing apparatus found the container giving off fumes in a basement safe.

The hospital was used for

civil defence training and the containers have been there for several years. The hospital was not evacuated because of only minimal risk to patients and



The perfect P.A.

By Clive Borrell Crime Correspondent

Britain's 120,000 policemen are in conflict with the Government after the breakdown of their pay talks with Mr Rees, Home Secretary. By law the police are not

allowed to strike, but when conference in Scarborough in

May it is expected that a rescolution will be passed demand.

Several officials of the federation said policemen's federation said policemen's they meet at their delegate ling the right to withdraw their labour. Other resolutions demanding that the Police Federation should be allowed to be affiliated to the TUC are also expected to be passed with an overwhelming

majority. majority.

At a meeting in Mr Rees's office in the House of Commons on Tuesday night, which at times became heated and personal, Mr Rees again refused the federation's demand for a £6-a-week in-

crease. He said he was bound by the Government's pay code and could offer no more than a 4) per cent rise. Fringe benefits, such as the federation says were awarded to the seamen when they threatened a national strike, also were suled

Mr James Jardine, chairman of the federation, and his deputation left saying that the Home Secretary had offered less than "would fill a ham sandwich".

Response to the breakdown-was fast and forceful throughout Britain yesterday, espe-cially from federation officials. cally from federation officials.

One said: "The Home Secretary knows that it is against the rules for officers to take on moonlighting jobs outside their normal hours of duty. He would have a fir if he incut take industrial action of the industrial action. would have a fir if he inew take industrial action so that that some of our men work in someone in Whitehall will take pubs at night as barmen, or notice of us."

cleaners. Even our senior officers, who know it is wrong, turn a blind eye because they know the men cannot pay their bills without this extra work."

Another said: "We have

now arrived at a stage where young officers are leaving the force to join the fire brigade

federation said policemen's wives were putting pressure on their husbands to take more lucrative jobs outside the force because they could not manage on their housekeeping money.

Officers up to and including the rank of chief inspector in the City of London force, the

last remaining city force in the country and recomized to be the most traditionally conservative, have just voted on the question of whether the police should have the right to strike. The voting was: For the right, 572: against, 179. Eighty abstained in the 90 per cent poll.

Police in the Thames Valley force in the Thames Valley force have voted by 1 large majority in favour of the same motion, and officers in a division in a town in the northwest of England have voted with an 80 per cent majority,

the same way.

The federation said last night: "The pay code is a voluntary agreement between the unions and the Government. That is why we want more industrial muscle, as there seems no other way we can be respected by those with

Sir Geoffrey favours gradual tax reform

Proposals for reform of the reform of value-added tax and machinery of taxarion and capital taxarion and for the radual modification of tax encouragement of employee ates were put forward at the share-ownership. machinery of taxation and gradual modification of tax rates were put forward at the London School of Economics yesterday by Sir Geoffrey Howe QC, MP, shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer.

He said there could be no jettisoning of the old to bring in the new. The capacity and appetite of ordinary people had been satisted, and a root-andbranch reform of the tax system should be rejected for a more gradual approach.

We must put our faith into a less complex, though neverthe-less far-reaching, modification of the rates of tax. Changes in the framework, particularly if they will simplify adminis-tration, should come only after full public consultation.

Sir Geoffrey suggested that exposure drafts should be published in advance of any to allow interested parties to make representations. Significant changes in the structure and shape of the tax system should always be foreshadowed by a Green or White Paper or draft Bills. The Conservatives would shortly publish their own consultative documents on the

Mr Justice Cantley told Nicholas Paul Benham, aged

Nicholas Paul Benham, aged 20, who admitted offences against two girls, aged 13 and 13, that he had decided "after some hesitation" not to send him to prison, and fined him a total of £100.

Mr Justice Lawson conditionally discharged Lionel Hamikton Streete, aged 19, a salse assistant, of Rucklidge Avenue, Harlesden, who admitted having unlawful intercourse

Road casualties

Road casualties in 1976 totalled 338,100, an increase of 4 per cent over 1975, according to provisional figures issued by

the Department of Transport. Deaths (6,520) and seriously

injured casualties (79,000) each increased by 2 per cent; slightly injured casualties (252,600) increased by 5 per

Double murder charge

Philip Anthony Holman, aged 21, of St Martin's House, South-

sea, was remanded in custody

vesterday, accused of the mur-der of Mr and Mrs Harrison, an

Mr Douglas Lishman, aged 25, a bricklayer, of Old Kiln Road, Penn, Buckinghamshire, has been killed while climbing

the north face of Ben Nevis

Mrs Florence Evans, aged 78.

a widow, died in a fire at a block of pensioners' flats at Glam-y-Morfa Court, Counah's Quay, Clwyd, yesterday.

elderly couple.

Ben Nevis death

during an avalanche.

Widow dies in fire

up 4 per cent

Sir Geoffrey said the main

budgetary provisions of the Finance Bill could be detached from matters relating to machinery and technicality, pos-sibly through an ancillary fiscal

Hearings about the technical aspects of any Finance Bill might best be achieved by interposing a select committee stage before or after principles had been considered in standing committee, or through a resularly appointed select committee with special responsi-bility for the tax system.

Sir Geoffrey said a consulta-tive and scrutinizing body, possibly including lay members, could be built on the establishment of a taxation and finance sub-committee of the Expendi-Cammi

"The important concept is that of a permanent parlia-mentary body with responsi-bility in this field. There is no need why the existence of such a semi-expert committee should preclude conventional debate dealing with political organi-about the principles of legisla-tion."

No prison for unlawful sexual acts

Two judges decided at the Central Criminal Court yesterday not to send two men to prison for having unlawful sexual intercourse with girls and one night last May offered to walk her home. They had intercourse at a recreation ground the girl what happens."

and were working, and sending you into custody would make a very big difference to your future. So this time, no prison. But you do it again, and see what happens."

a recreation ground, the girl consenting. Six months later they had intercourse again.

Mr Benham had intercourse

with the girl aged 13 last November. The girl told her mother, and when questioned by Leatherhead police Mr Benham admitted the offence.

Then he described the incidents

Mr Benham was fined £25 for the offences against the girl aged 15 and £75 for the offence

against the younger one, to be paid by £5 weekly instalments, with three months' imprison-ment in default.

Local education authorities

are being urged to provide part-time courses to help un-employed school-leavers to continue their education while

remaining available for work.

An administrative memorandum

from the Department of Educa-tion and Science says leavers taking such courses could still

draw supplementary benefit.
More than 60,000 unemployed

eavers draw supplementary

Helston, Cornwall

day.
Four Scottish trawler skip-

pers (David Andrew, aged 39, of the Gallic Rose, and Forbes Cameron, aged 29, of the Gallic

May, both from Buckie, Gram-

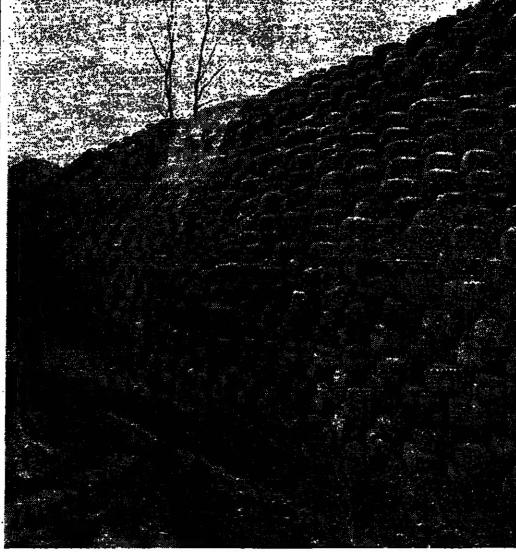
pian; and Robert Tait, aged 30,

of the Comrade, and Andrew Tait, aged 38, of the Chrisandra, both from Fraserburgh), were

benefit: £9 a week if they are under 18 and £11.35 if they are 18 or older. Many may be deterred from starting useful not qualify.

The continuing dispute between fishermen in Cornish waters came to a head at Helston Magistrates' Court yester day.

jobless school-leavers



Wall of tyres: Part of a 145ft wall, containing 4,500 used tyres, built at Lofthouse as an experiment by West Yorkshire County Council. The tyres, 25 million of which are dumped in Britain every year, were sup-plied free for a local firm. The wall cost a

be masked by cement or vegetation planted in soil used to consolidate the tyres. Council engineers believe that old tyres can be used for a range of civil engineering projects and will last a hundred years.

AUEW poll faces bar

By Tim Jones A decision by the national executive of the Amalgamared Union of Engineering Workers to exclude its two assistant general secretaries from weekly meetings has ensured that the election to the contract of th election to choose a successor to Mr Hugh Scanlon as presi-

dent will be unusually acri-

monious. The timing of the decision, taken by four votes to three, is crucial, because Mr Robert Wright, who has been chosen by the left as its standard bearer, is due in April to become an assistant general sec-retary. Mr Kenneth Brett, a communist and a staunch sup-porter of Mr Wright, will also be excluded from the meetings.
Assistant general secretaries
have been allowed to attend executive meetings for several years and the decision probably

reflects the changed political balance on the executive. Mr Wright lost his seat on the executive council 18 months ago to Mr Terence Duffy, the moderates' contender for the presidency. It is understood that ally backed Mr Wright, spoke against the exclusions, but Mr John Boyd, the general secre-tary, favoured the move. Assistant general secretaries of the union are responsible for

But you do it again, and see what happens."

In the second case Mr C.

Wilson, for the prosecution, said Mr Streete, then 17, met

the girl at a fair and an affectionate friendship developed. In August, 1974, she called at his

home. They sat on a bed talk-

ing, started to kiss and had intercourse. The incident came

courses for fear of losing their

clear that, so long as they re-main available for employment.

such youngsters will not lose their benefit. The conditions

are that the course is no longer

than three days a week, that the

claiment and the head of the

college accept that the student

can leave immediately for work, and that the claimant registers

at a careers office or unemploy-

summoned for using purse-seine large nets cast in a circle and nets off the Cornish coast. They capable of taking big catches in one cast. The use of such nets

Local fishermen, who use within three miles of the hook and line or mid-water Cornish coast is probibited by trawling, say the scale of their shylaw made under the Sea fishing is reasonable enough Fisheries Regulation Act, 1966.

iney maintain, and are backed by the Cornwall Sea Fisheries Committee, that the arrival in the past two years of ships using large-scale fishing methods threatens the stocks.

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Four Scottish skippers in court over

alleged offence in Cornish waters

The memorandum makes

Contender in Mentmore deadline is fixed at April 5

great insurance and security and sales.

more must be sold by May 30. The Department of the the preservation of the collec-Environment is considering a tion and its retention in revised offer from Lord Rose- England." revised offer from Lord Rose-bery, received last week, to sell He said Mentmore Towers, Mentmore Towers, its land, and and its contents represented much of its furniture for about £3m. That is recognized as a inherited. Accordingly he was generous offer. A professional not in a position to give it valuation organized by Save away, or to give it away and Britain's Heritage, suggested endow it for its future running, that five of the principal works as the National Trust would be a provided by the provided Herman and the provided have

ubnc spending is being cut everywhere, the Government is to administer. not likely to accept the new offer unless it gets help

By Philip Howard

Lord Rosebery said yesterday that the deadline for the Government to accept his new offer to sell Mentmore Towers and its collections to the nation was April 5.

After that date the time limit for valuation for estate duty, the heavy running costs, the heavy running costs, the same of that could be recovered by admission fees, catering, and sales.

costs made necessary by recent publicity, and the need to disturbed by the correspondistribute catologues would mean that the public auction sale: "The decision to sell must go ahead. Because of the estate duty regulations, unless to take. I much regret that the there is an extension of the time limit, the contents of Mentium with the contents of the correspondence in the press about the sale: "The decision to sell was an extremely difficult one extremely diff refused the original offer of 12m, which would have meant England."

He said Mentmore Towers

of art at Mentmore on their have required. He would have swn would fetch between £1m been delighted if the Government had bought it and given However, at a time when it to the National Trust or some appropriate org

If Lord Rosebery's offer is offer unless it gets help from a fairy godmother, corporate or private.

Lady Birk, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment with responsibility for conservation, has said

Parents 'feel uninformed

on children's schooling'

By John Groser Consumer Affairs

Many parents feel that they do not know what goes on in their children's schools, accord-ing to a Gallup Poll survey carried out for the National Consumer Council this month. It shows that 28 per cent of parents felt that they were not told enough about their chil-dren's progress and 39 per cent that they were kept in the dark about teaching methods used of the course of the incident came to light because she had a baby. Mr Justice Lawson told Mr Streete: "I accept that you probably did not know the law says you must not touch girls under 16 in this way. You now have a responsibility towards this hay and you could be determined. Avenue, flamestene, who admirted having unlawful intercourse with a girl of 13, who became presentant.

Mr Philip Singer, for the prosecution, said Mr Benham,

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Mr Benham, and subject options offered.

The council is presenting the survey results with two research The judge told him: "You this baby and you ought to do have a previous good character this baby and you ought to do something about it."

Part-time courses urged for jobless school-leavers

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State for Education and Science today. It says that although 83 per cent of the parents in the poil were satisfied with their children's education, it is disturbing that such a substantial minority should feel ill informed.

in the first research docu-ment, Question Marks for ment, Schools, the council says that, as consumers, parents and pupils should be able to choose between schools and, within schools, between differing subjects and methods.

It asks for inspectors' reports on schools to be made public and for independent expert assessments of schools to be available to parents and pupils. It urges local education authorities and teachers' unions to give an "improved assurance People who give up employ-ment or abandon a full-time course for a part-time one will and retained." . The other document, Advise

The hearing continues today.

and Consent, has been pre-pared in association with groups such us the National Union of School Students and proposes a code of practice to guide relations between the providers of the education service and its consumers. It offers detailed suggestions on how parents and pupils might participate more actively.

activery.

The council recognizes that acceptance of the code would place a corresponding obligation on parents and pupils.

The documents have been timed for the eve of the beginning of the education debate, which starts in New-Castle tomorrow.

Question Marks for Schools and Advise and Consent (National Consumer Council, 18 Queen Anne's Gate. London. SWIH 3AA. Sp and 10p respectively).

Charter for parents: A parents' charter demanding more direct.

charter demanding more direct involvement and a greater say in education at school, local authority and government level was published yesterday by the Confederation for the Advancement of State Education (Frances Stadlen, of The Times Educational Symplement writes)

Educational Supplement writes).
The charter urges schools to let parents see all records on their children and to consult them over aims, methods, organization and curricula.
The confederation want

parents and pupils represented on schools' managing and on schools managing and governing bodies, and parents coopted to education committees.

Parents' Charter (Confederation for the Advancement of State Education, 1 Windermere Avenue,

Health Services Correspondent

Stockings that put finely

parts of the legs may help to

The stockings, developed in America by the Kendall Com-

pany, a subsidiary of Colgate-Palmolive, have been under-going clinical trials in the United States, Germany and

Mr Charles Holford, a sur-

geon at Charing Cross Hospital specializing in thrombo-embolic

By John Roper

it had no intention of trans-mitting breakfast time tele-vision. £14,000 bank raid A raider fired a revolver shot

two security guards at the National Westminster Bank branch in High Street, Teddington, London, yesterday and escaped with £14,000. Express in collision

Scveral passengers in a London-Edinburgh express were badly shaken when it collided with a diesel train after overshooting its stop at Darlington, co Durham, vesterday.

Stockings may save lives disease, said yesterday that a two-year controlled trial on 100

surgery showed that the inci-dence of deep-vein thrombosis was halved in patients wearing overcome the serious risk, par-ticularly after surgery, of blood clots forming in patients con-fined to bed. the stockings. A trial at the Middlesex Hospital had pro-

duced similar results.

The stockings, costing £4.22 a pair, are available only to hospitals. The company says their use could save the National Health Service £50m a year by reducing the time patients occupy hospital beds. They could reduce the 21,000 deaths a year in Britain caused by closs blocking the flow of blood to the lungs.

WEST EUROPE

Rail steward | Denmark's election victors divided over coalition plans

From Geoffrey Dodd Copenhagen, Feb 16

who sold

own tea was

not stealing

From Our Correspondent

Costs of £175 were awarded

to a British Rail steward by

magistrates at Holyhead, yester-day when they dismissed a charge against him of stealing

20p from his employers. The magistrates found that it was

not against the law for a

steward to provide his own cups of tea or sandwiches for the

cups. The charge was 20p.

his own business on a train.

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Appeal ruling: In November

April by Inner London Crown

The Court of Appeal said the

Average speed of

but are restricted to a top speed

Hang-gliding 'no

more dangerous

than racing cars'

no more dangerous than rock-

climbing, motor racing and pot-holing, according to a report by the Sports Council published

In the report Mr Kenneth

Drew, deputy director of general aviation at the Civil Avia

tion Authority, says the fatal accident rate is also roughly

similar to that in private avia-

tion, gliding and parachuting.
Nearly nine thousand people
in Britain had learnt to fly
hang-gliders by the end of last

year, according to the British Hang Gliding Association. Be-tween August and December. 1976, after tighter controls had been introduced, only 10 acci-

dents were reported at a time when 1,700 pupils were taught.

Proposal for TV

Yorkshire Television is con-

sidering morning television from May 1, subject to discus-sions with the unions and

approval by the Independent Broadcasting Authority (our Arts Reporter writes). Other companies on the independent

television network will be study-

ing the proposals with interest, since they may also decide that breakfast-time television can attract big audiences.

The BBC said yesterday that

into the ground at the feet of

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of 125 mph in service.

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and industry.'

Mr Anker Joergensen, the Danish Prime Minister, this afternoon began discussions with parties returned to the Folketing in yesterday's general election to seek out possible combinations for a coalition with his Social Democratic Party. As he did so, the left wing in his own party began to speak out openly against his

A detective of the British The Social Democrats won Transport Police said William 12 more sears in the election, giving them a total of 65 in the Gannon, aged 58, of Holyhead, had served him two cups of tea from a private teapot and not

179-seat Folketing.
The Liberal Party, which formed the government preceding Mr Joergensen's, lost half from the approved British Rail Mr Alexander Carlile, for the defence, said: "It may sound absurd, but if a steward runs their seats and now hold 21. For the first time in many years, the Liberals have been displaced as the second biggest party by the anti-tax Progress Party, which was returned with 26 seats.

The election did not reduce the second biggest party by the anti-tax Progress Party, which was returned with 26 seats. tea, it is not an offence against the law. He may, however, be committing an offence liable for

the fractionalism in the Folket-ing, which now has 11 parties, one more than before the dissodisciplinary procedures in trade Mr Alun Williams, for British Rail, said the submission was an open charter to set up stores on British Rail property.

Intion.

The slight loss suffered by the left-wing parties and gains made by the Progress Party and last year, a British Rail steward who was said to have planned to sell his own sand-wiches on the Euston to Glasgow train was acquitted by others to the right of the Social Democrats, indicate a trend to-wards the right. The result has brought about a much greater change than opinion polls or the politicians of most parties predicted. Even Mr Joergensen admitted his surprise, although for the first time since well before the war, the Social Democrats and Liberals do not the Court of Appeal of a charge of going equipped to cheat. He had been given a nine-month suspended prison sentence in have enough sears to form a majority coalition. This combination has never

prosecution had sought to turn the steward's dereliction of contractual duty into a crime. been tried, but it has been pro-posed with increasing strength in the past four election camin the past four election cam-paigns as the only way to pro-duce a strong and stable gov-ernment. Negotiations to form, such a coalition broke down after the last election in 1975, mainly because of the rivalry between Mr Joergensen and the Liberal leader, Mr Poul Hart-ling.

> prise at least three parties since the Progress Party is not considered acceptable by the Social Democrats. But policy differences between the available parties can quickly generate ago. This plan, how tensions, and while Denmark received moderate subas had many three-party coalities in the past, they have given their backin rarely lasted more than half a incomes policy. term. The alternative open to Mr Joergensen could be a continuation of the present carried in the last
> minority Government.
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> He can do this because he correctly attributed

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During the car which the Social leaders sought a m porting the incomes centre of the fie parties, the Social Left still remain sile they are beginning their objections to sen's basic policies. Mr Jens Kampma wing leader and sor Social Democratic I

a mandate to continue The Prime Mini-(for a coalition socialist parties) is: I want the Government tinue as a minority. be many compromis tiate in the coming we should operate of to-issue basis withour

our own freedom." One of the compr may be sought is ceiling figure of 2 This is the central the two-year policy which the Government supporting parties throughout the election Danish labour or met this afternoon demands for collect ments running for from March 1, which with the term of the policy. Although demands have not closed, informed so: say they exceed the l. government policy. T zations also issued

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The report on the the general election i The Times yesterds correctly attributed

OFFICIAL RESULTS

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EEC subsidy dispute

pean Parliament and the European Commission, which could conceivably have led to the dismissal of Mr Roy Jenkins, the Commission president, and his colleagues in Brussels, appears to have been resolved to the satisfaction of both to the satisfaction of both sides.

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Herr Aigner argued committee could not check Community ex without access to all.

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Danish printers' union fi

Copenhagen, Feb 16

A labour court today fined Danish printers union £5,000

and ordered technical staff to return to work at Berlingske group.

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By a Staff Reporter A new record for the fastest ling.

But Mr Joergensen's success has deprived him even of this combination so his new majority Government will have to com-A new record for the fastest passenger train journey in Britain was established yesterday between Bristol and London. It was set up by a nonstop relief which left Temple Meads station at 10.24 am and arrived at Paddington at 11.35 am after covering the 1172 miles at an average of 99.5 mph. The regular service leaving at 10.30 am stops at Bath and at 10.30 am stops at Bath and Reading and arrives at 12.07 pm. The new high-speed trains used on the route have reached more than 140 mph during tests

did not submit his resignation Press International, when he dissolved the Folketing and table of officing January. But he declared were in fact proafter his party's big gains were Associated Press.

By A Staff Reporter

Hang-gliding, the sport in
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Düsseldorf, Feb 16.—A petrol bomb today wrecked the car of a lawyer defending four left-

a lawyer defending four leftwing extremists charged with
blowing up the West German
embassy in Stockholm.

A letter said to come from
sympathizers of the group later
claimed responsibility
The car belonged to Herr
Heinz Peters, who was
appointed by the court to
defend the accused, who are
also being defended by lawyers
of their own choosing.

Commissioner's offer en

Brussels, Feb 16

A dispute between the Euro-

It arose over the Commis-sion's refusal to disclose details of alleged exploitation

From Our Correspondent

House, headquarters of Den-mark's biggest newspaper The conflict has prevented the publication of the leading morning newspaper, Berlingske

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Mr Francis Wybrants, not Mr Mr Francis Wybrants, not Mr Roger Henderson as stated in a Press Association report on Feb-ruary 12, appeared for the prosecu-tion in the case of Alexander John Hatch at the Central Criminal Court the previous day.

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NEST EUROPE

ael Hornsby

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of Mr Finn Olav
the Commissioner
for fisheries nega-

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Correspondent e EEC agricultural endorsement of Briposals for conser-sures within the 200



A huge effigy of Signor Andreotti, the Italian Prime Minister, dominates the colourful Viareggio carnival procession.

Lawyers say Spanish police are still brutal

From Harry Debelius Madrid, Feb 16

Nearly 15 months after the death of General Franco, and following a royal pardon and a royal amnesty, there is still evidence suggesting flagrant abuse of authority by Spain's political police.

At least four complaints have been presented before a mugis-trate in Burcelona in the past few days about alleged police brutality. Other cases are being investigated by Barcelona lawyers involving apparently illegal practices in which police are said to have exceeded even the sweeping authority which they were granted after Madrid's week of terror last

Barcelona lawyers said that Señor Isaac Garcia Barba, who was taken into custody sures within the 200 January 30, with about 50 other has been greeted as people who attended a meeting the right direction" of the National Workers' Conitish Fishing Federa- federation, an anarchist trade

from two cracked ribs as a result of police "interrogation". When his lawyer tried to visit him accompanied by a doctor he was refused permission by the police.
In another case, a young man

is said to be recovering in a Barcelona hospital from a bullet wound inflicted yesterday when police rounded up nine youths who were alleged to have been distributing socialist propaganda, although this report cannot be confirmed.

In at least three recent instances, the police have taken people into custody in one part of Spain and transported them secretly to another part of the country for interrogation. Even under the present emergency powers this is illegal, in the opinion of many lawyers.

Among those subjected to this

treatment was Senor Diego Delgado, who was arrested in Córdoba and appeared at the Barcelona main police bead-

OVERSEAS.

Mr Carter tells Britain and France he cannot influence New York discussion on Concorde

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Feb 16

President Carter has informed Mr Callaghan and President Giscard d'Estaing that he cannot direct the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey or the Governors of those states to allow Concorde to land in New

He told them that while he

would not interfere with the 16-month trial period allowed month trial period anowen Concorde by the Ford admini-stration, this would not pre-judice his final decision on whether Concorde will be given permanent landing rights. Mr Carter was replying to personal messages from the Prime Minister and M Giscard d'Estaing last week, asking him

to help win landing rights for Concorde in New York.

countries.

He added, however, that foreigners often failed to understand the American federal system, and might believe that the President could give directions to an organization which in fact depends upon another jurisdiction.

He reminded the press that Mr Carter had regarded the decision a year ago to allow Concorde a trial period as a mistake. This was still the President's position.

However Mr Carter did not believe it would be right to suppon the trial before it was concluded.

Dulles airport, near Washing-

immediately.

Kennedy airport in New York belongs to the port authority, which is jointly controlled by the states of New York and New

oncorde in New York.

Dulles airport, near Washingcourt. Today they agreed to
Mr Jody Powell, the Presiton, is controlled directly by
ent's spokesman, said this the Federal Government and the hope that the March 10

afternoon that Mr Carter's message indicated that he shared the desire of the two leaders to approach this matter in a way which reflects the close friendship between the romuries.

the decision of Mr Colman, the decision will go in their favour. Charles Hargrove writes from could therefore be applied there immediately.

Kennedy airport in New York d'Estaing concluded that France belongs to the port authority, and the United States were writed. Paris: President Carter's message to President Giscard
d'Estaing concluded that France
and the United States were
working together to solve their
common problems and expressed the hope that the decision to confirm the trial period
would strengthen the close link
between the two countries.

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After disclosing President Carter's message M Giscard d'Estaing's spokesman added that over the whole range of the problems being studied at present by France and the United States, including the preparation of the international monetary conference in Loudon

paration of the international monetary conference in Loudon next summer, the North-South dialogue, and other issues, "the President of the Republic notes the very clear desire of the new American Administration to establish cordial relations with France".

Minister's note asked for money

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv. Feb 16

A note to Mr Asher Yadlin, the Israel official accused of corruption, from the secretary-general of Israel's ruling Labour Party requesting a cheque for promised funds was made public promised funds was made public by a court today.

The note had been introduced to support the defence claim that the 80,000 Israel pounds (about £5,000) that he had received in bribes from a lawyer had been funnelled to the Labour Party.

The note read: "As to the sum of 70,000 I asked you to put at my disposal, please send me a cheque made out to ISL" (the Labour Party). It was signed by Mr Abaron Yadlin, the accused man's cousin, who was secretary-general of the party and is now Minister of Education.

He was absent from the Knesset (Parliament) today when the Likud opposition introduced a motion calling for his suspen-sion pending the outcome of an inquiry into the disclosures. The Likud motion also called

been refused permission to see

S African prison death brings toll to 19 in year

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, Feb 16
Another police prisoner died
today in South Africa, the
fourth in 1977.
Police said that Mr R. L.
Barber, a middle-aged white,
clambered from his cell in
Durban convent police station Durban central police station in an attempt to escape through the adjoining lavatory. He fell on his head and died before medical help could be given to him. The police said he had been arrested on a domestic

maintenance charge.

His death brings to 19 the number of police prisoners who have died in custody since March, 1976. The other 18 were blacks and most were held on security charges.

security charges.
Yesterday the police said that
Mr Matthew Mabilane, a black
student aged 22, fell 10 floors
to his death from a window
ledge at Johannesburg's police
headquarters in John Vorster
Square. He was being interrosted by security police hold-Square. He was being interrogated by security police holding him under the Terrorism Act. According to the police, he forced open a window, ran along the 18in-wide ledge and stumbled and fell

Today his bitter parents said he had been detained since January 27, when he was arrested trying to cross into South Africa from Botswana. Mrs Messina Mabilane said herson was one of many Soweto

son was one of many Soweto students who crossed into Botswana at the beight of student unrest last year.
She told reporters: "We re-

she told reporters: "We reported his absence to the police because we wanted him to come back." Mr James Kruger, the Minister of Justice, had announced an amnesty for children who returned she said. "I feel I should go to labe. Vector Sausce tomorrow. John Vorster Square tomorrow and tell them to detain me too and tell them to detain me too and kill me if they want to."

Mrs Mabilane said he son was a law-abiding youth who was not interested in politics. His parents had not seen him since he fled to Botswana but later were told by the police he had been detained. They had been refused permission to see

Under the terms of the Terrorism Act the authorities are empowered to hold suspects in-definitely without trial and without access to lawyers or for the suspension of Mr Rabi-nowitz, the Finance Minister, anybody else.

No place for PLO at peace talks unless attitude to Israel changes, US says

Prom Eric Marsden Jerusalem, Feb 16 So long as the Palestine Liberation Organization stands hy its national convenant call-ing for dismantling of the Jewish state it can play no part in Middle East peace talks. Mr Cyrus Vance, the United States Secretary of State said here tonight after a full day of dis-cussion with Israeli leaders.

Mr Vance leaves tomorrow for tour of Arab states, each of which is expected to press him to accept the need for PLO representation at any Arab-Israeli conference.

Speaking to the press, Mr
Vance said he was "looking

vance said he was looking towards a Geneva-type conference in the second half of this year". Mr Yigal Allon, the Israel Foreign Minister also used this phrase. When its sigificance was questioned, Mr Yance said there was no dis-Vance said there was no dis-tinction between it and reference to "the Geneva conference", and added: "You can call it Geneva."
On PLO representation Mr

Alion went farther than Mr Vance. Asked whether PLO officials would be acceptable to Israel if included in the Jor-danian delegation, he said they would not be recognized as part of the delegation but if they abandoned their covenant

The European Community to-day completed the intricate net-

work of trade, aid and coopera-

"there would be no boycor of them as persons".

After his talks in Amman, Damascus, Cairo and Riyadh, there are clearly hopes here that Mr Vance will fly back to Israel.

The would be no boycor of manufactured in the United States.

For Mr Rabin, the visit has already borne fruit. While the two leaders were meeting this morning it was disclosed that

sal for an overall settlement to be negotiated in advance but carried out in phases.

It is understood Mr Vance told the Israelis that he would await the views of the Arab heads of state in Damascus and Beirut before taking any decisions on what could be done over the dispute caused by the move by Syrian troops into the town of Nabatea near the

Israel border.

He also said that a final decision on whather Israel should be supplied with "Clusters and the state of th ter" bombs would be taken later by President Carter. He gave no indication that Wash-ington might reconsider its opposition to the planned sale to Ecuador of 24 Israel-made Kfir interceptor aircraft which incorporate several components Israel.

in the form of loans, did not

respond to the reconstruction

needs of his country, he said.

His government would shortly be submitting a request for

special emergency aid to help

rebuild the economy.

Like similar agreements already signed with Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, Jor-

Lebanon disappointed with

trade pact with Nine

there are clearly hopes here that two leaders were meeting this two leaders were meeting this morning it was disclosed that the secretary of State may return if his talks encourage him to think there is a prospect of reconvening the Genera conference, or of making progress by some other formula. This may depend on Israel and Arab reactions to the reported American proposal for an overall settlement to

the Defence Minister, for the Labour Party leadership. If Mr Peres should win the party's vote next week, it is possible that he will also be invited to Machineton. Washington. Mr Vance's mission has caused a split among Arab mayors in the West Bank. The majority have signed a memorandum to him urging an

end to the occupation and call-ing for the recognition of the ring for the recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization as the legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. But some of the hardliners—including Ramallah's mayor, Mr Karim Khalaf—though they support these views, have refused to sign as a sesture of protest against a gesture of protest against United States backing of

Area along Botswana border restricted school

Salisbury, Feb 16.-The first Macama mission milicary restricted area has been created on Rhodesia's From Our Own Correspondent of account (about £20m) mostly southern border with Botswana, official sources said today.

Although such "no-zo" areas have been features of north-eastern Mozambique border sectors for some time, the new strip of no-mans-land is the first on the Borswana border. A 19-mile strip of the Shashi tribal trust land along the dan and Syria, the pact offers
dury-free entry to the Community's market for most industrial goods and raw materials.

south-east Rhodesia. Most of the students have gone to Zambia, apparently to train as guerrillas.
The official sources said the creation of the Shashi no-go area also followed complaints by local tribesmen about guerrilla activity in their area. Any unauthorized person in such an area can be shot if he or she

fails to answer a challenge.
Four separate rocket and
mortar attacks were launched last night from Mozambique against the Rhodesian border post at Vila Salazar, but there were no casualties, a security

But in other incidents, six people were killed, four of them terrorists.

Lagos: Rhodesian Africans are still sceptical of United States-initiated moves over Rhodesia, Mr Robert Mugabe, of the Rho-desia Patriotic Front, said here. "America is still trading with the illegal regime", he said. "Mercenaries are still being re-cruited by the rebels from America. We have not seen the plan of the United States. Until we see it, we will not know what they have in stock."— Agence France-Presse.

tion pacts it has been negotia-ting with Arab states bordering the Mediterranean by initialling an agreement with Lebanon. quarters next morning. He was Mr Keerouge Labeld head the Lebanese delegation, voiced his disappointment at the modest financial aid package offered. A total of 30m units

ing up for a 'civil war weekend'

ria in Schleswig-Holstein over nuclear plant

ermany appears this e succumbing to one are bouts of hysteria all the more remarkseen against the of the national derly conduct.
Bonn newspaper

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therefore no surprise, al Anzeiger went on, litant communist had sly reported to the stein his organizaention of staging a tion at the site of y controversial Brok-

demonstrations at the been marked by a out and ugly confron-tween a tiny minority strutors and massive ordens. Non-violent inevitably got in some of these ad the resulting telen proved to be power-ting material for both

y majority and the minority in the now anti-nuclear protest

orney general. He re-

nearby town of Itzehoe.

The militant protest, notified as the law requires to the police as likely to involve up to 10,000 demonstrators, has now been banned on the ground that the authorities fear a breach of the peace. There is every indication that the organizers intend to defy

the ban.

Several splinter groups of the fringe left have seen the possibilities from involving themselves with a movement enjoying widespread support. Management and Trotskyists have been playing an increasing role and precipitated the split in the movement.

and precipitated the split in the movement.
Unidentified intelligence sources in West Germany have been putting it about that the East Germans are actively engaged with finance and encouragement in provoking a clash on Saturday between the police and the protesters. But Herr Matthöler, the federal Research and Technology Minister, bas dismissed this out of hand.

out of hand.

The energy on view among the militants would render all outside assistance superfluous.

But if the unconcealed determination of the militant mineries to provoke clashes on mination of the militant minority to provoke clashes on Saturday and even sacrifice a few "martyrs" for their cause is disturbing, the preparations

papers is less than helpful and features frequent use of the phrase "civil war" and its derivatives. The normally staid Handelsblatt, the Dusseldorf financial newspaper, carries an article on its front page today, for example, headed, "The state faces a trial of strengthwateckers arm to break the peace." The opening sentence reads: "Civil war threatens in Problems of the Live Civil war threatens in Brokdorf on the Lower Elbe this coming Saturday."

After summarizing the known plans of the militants. the paper goes on to quote "a member of the Bonn Govern-ment" as saying: "They want deaths."

Die Welt of Bonn carries a question and answer interview with the coastal region commander of the border guard on its front page today. The phrasing of the opening ques-tion speaks for itself: "The Schleswig-Holstein Government expects conditions approximating to civil war at Brokdorf on Saturday. Do you share these fears? The commander is quoted as saying that he does.

There have been many other examples of this attitude over the past formight, more than enough to support the contention that large elements of authority and the press have been affected by hysteria.

Against the rising tide of alarmism must be set the fact that the Germans lave to talk

is Sarurday's demon-is sainst the Brokdorf the movement has Schleswig-Holstein has asked that the Germans love to talk themselves into a crisis in advance. But the mixture being brewed by both sides at Brok-dorf is explosively unstable and needs only a single match

In Brief

Brussels, Feb 16

New Soviet map

Moscow, Feb 16.—Soviet car-tographers have compiled a new large-scale map of the far side of the Moon from photographs taken by a space exploration station, Tass reported.

to chart the geological and morphological features of lunar seas and continents, it said.—

Nato chief's denial

Ramstein, Germany, Feb 16.

General Haig, Nato Supreme
Commander in Europe, has dis-

Falklands greeting
Port Stanley, Falkland Islands,
Feb 16.—Mr Rowlands, Minister
of State at the Foreign Office,
has arrived here to discuss the

Emergency landing bound for Bahrain with 100 passengers on board, made an emergency landing here after developing engine trouble.

> National anthem vote Canberra, Feb 16.—Austra-"Advance Australia Fair",
> "Waltzing Matilda" and
> "Song of Australia".

Cash settlement hope

willing to discuss the problem of outstanding financial claims between the two countries.

dent Park Chung Hee.

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two. One, set up by some several other Länder and the itself. The other. by the orderly soft nuclear power will take place in the several other federal government has placed units of the federal border guard at its disposal.

The attitude of some newsafi strike stumps the Germans

r Own Correspondent 16 reconnaissance of the ies of an all-British dispute in the heart Rhine-Westphalia has 1 the West German bow out in favour of rmy redcaps.

onse to complaints of obstruction by pickets laafi's main depot in police visited the veral times to warn reganizers from the Association of Scien-

of the coordinating committee of ASTMS for Naafi in West Association of Scien-hnical and Managerial ASTWS) of the West ASTWS) of the West law on picketing.

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the outermost layer of this par-ticular onion: ASTMS is also campaigning for official recognition of its right to represent Naafi shop and club managers

Naafi shop and club managers in West Germany as well as for Mr Ingram's reinstatement. Nor is even that the whole story. Mr Terry Comerford, an ASTMS organizer based in London who was in West Germany this week to investigate, complained of unofficial social facilities set up by soldiers in opposition to Naafi clubs. Mr Comerford said that although Naafi had a virtual monopoly of shop and club facilities for British troops, these "splinter clubs" were taking money away from Naafi clubs. Since managers' salaries

clubs. Since managers' salaries were partly dependent on turnover achieved, ASTMS members' pay was being affected adversely.

of the Moon

Detailed pictures taken by the Zond 8 craft, about 685 miles from the "dark side" of the Moon, have made it possible

missed Western reports that Warsaw Pact forces could swamp West Germany and reach the Rhine within 48

colony's future. He was greeted by a crowd chanting "We want to stay British ". Istanbul, Feb 16.—A British Airways airliner from London.

> Sex photographs case Los Angeles, Feb 16.—Henry Wynberg, aged 42, a former friend of Elizabeth Taylor, has pleaded not guilty to being involved in taking sex photographs of four schoolgirls.

Washington, Feb 16.—The United States has received indirect word that Peking is

President's slanderer Seoul, Feb 16.—Mr Kang Moon Bong, a former member of the Korean National Assem-bly, has been jailed for 10 years for graft and slandering Presi-

Democracy versus dynasty' seen as issue for Indians

From Kuldip Navar Delhi, Feb 16

Mr Sanjay Gandhi's candidature in the coming Lok Sabha election has made it a fight of "democracy versus dynasty", Mr R. K. Garg, a leader of the Communist Party of India, said

The fact that the son of Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, was standing for Parliament was a clear warning that he intended to be a deci-sive power, Mr Garg said. It was the emergence of such extra constitutional centres of power" during the emergency which had threatened the fourdations of the country's consti-

The Janata Party has asked the election commission to post special observers in all constituencies contested by ministers. Mr T. Swaminathan, head of the commission, has replied, however, that the law does not provide authority out-side the eletion machinery to supervise the poll.

A joint front of the students of Aligarh Muslim university has been set up to "campaign for such forces in the country as are opposed to authoritarianism, totalitarianism and fascism".

Shopkeeper | Floods kill killed in poll ferment From Our Correspondent

Rawalapindi, Feb 16

A young shopkeeper flying the ruling Pakistan People's Party flag over his shop was stabbed to death in Multan today in a clash with supporters of rivel parties, it was reported.
An argument arose when he refused to close his shop in res-Pakistan National Alliance, a grouping of nine opposition parties. The flag was subse-quently pulled down.

in several places where the opposition election drive is gaining momentum. For two days rival parties have clashed in

Peshawar
Dr Mubashar Hasan, the secretary general of the People's Party has asserted that the opposition parties would cut military expenditure and reduce the size of the armed forces at the instance of foreign elements. This would jeopardize the nation's security. Islamabad: A total of 710 candidates will connect the remaining 181 seats for the en-larged National Assembly in the general elections on March7, the election commission announced today. The Pakistan People's Party of Mr Bhuttu, the Prime Minister, has already won 19 seets unopposed. union welcomed the resig-nations of Mr Jagjivan Ram and others from the ruling party. The joint front extended its full support to the Congress

for Democracy. Our Calcutta Corresponden writes: A section of the Maoist communists, known as Naxalites, has decided to take part in next month's general election in spite of its earlier rejection of rliamentary democracy as a

A spokesman for the group, who are out of jail on bail, said the Nazalites would contest five out of the 42 parliamentary seats in West Bengal Three communist parties wil therefore be engaged in the election in West Bengal. The Pro-Moscow Communist Party of India will contest eight seats under agreement with the Congress Party, which has put up capitalistics for the put up other 34. candidates for the

The Communist Party of India (Marxist), which is independent of both Moscow and Peking, will oppose Congress or CPI candidates in straight contests for 20 seats. The Marxist Communists have agreed with the Janata Party and the Congress for Democracy on avoiding division of the opposi-

hundreds on Limpopo

Maputo, Feb 16.—Flooding of the Limpopo river in northern Mozambique has reached disaster proportions, with hundreds of people drowned, villages wiped out, and the country's richest farmland devastated. At one village, Chilembene, a dike burst yesterday killing 300 people.

The personner Noticias said

The newspaper Noticias said here today "countless" people and caule had been drowned. Official sources said the 300 people were killed at Chilembene after a sudden rise in the river. Torrential rains have followed Hurricane Emily two

weeks ago.

The village is upstream from Xai Xai, formerly Vila de João Belo the port at the mouth of the Limpopo, where large parts of the town are under water and public services are out of action.

Maputo was the first area to be hit and some 10,000 people were left homeless in the capital alone. Yesterday the situation here and in the surrounding countryside seemed to be improving but the rains have begun again and the wet seems is only just beginning.

The authorities have given

The authorities have given warnings of possible epidemics and an increase has been reported in the demand for medicines against malaria.— Agence France-Presse.

peaceful coexistence of the two communities, in the context of a genuinely unitary and independ-

ent state? I shall sign it and resign the next day'."

The President said that even if the Cyprus problem were not settled by the spring of 1978 "which, in my view is unlikely", he would think twice

before running again for President. However, he felt that the crucial period would be in July

this year.
"Denktash tells me that

there will be elections in Turkey next July, and he seems to know what he is talking abou

Buenos Aires, Feb 16

guerrillas.

A military court in Montevideo has jailed a left-wing
guerrilla for his part in the
1971 kidnapping of Mr Geoffrey
Jackson, who was British
Ambassador in the Uruguayan
capital. He was sentenced to
serve not less than 37 years.
Mr Jackson was held fur nine
months by the Tupamaro

months by the Tupamaro

The man, Antonio Mas, aged 28, was also found guilty of the murder of Mr Dan

Mitrione, an American official

Bangkok, Feb 16 .- A Thai

princess was killed today when

Communist guerrillas fired on

a helicopter in southern Thai-

land.
Police said Princess Vipha-

vadi Rangsit, aged 56, secretary to Queen Sirikit, was on her

way to present royal gifts to police and troops fighting the

guerrillas. Her helicopter came under

beavy groundfire in Surat

Thani province, where guerrilla

activity has increased in recent

Four days ago, Crown Prince Vajiralongkorn escaped unburt when his armoured troop car-

rier was ambushed by Commu-nists in Northern Thailand.—

Princess dies as

guerrillas fire

on helicopter

Makarios pledge to resign after peace agreement

From Mario Modiano Athens, Feb 16

rom Mario Modiano

thens, Feb 16

President Makarios is ready
o resign as head of state immeizately after signing a Cyprus

were, what did I propose to do
following the conclusion of an
agreement. 'Listen', I said,
'can you bring me tomorrow a
text that will safeguard the to resign as head of state immediately after signing a Cyprus settlement that would safeguard the peaceful coexistence of the Greek and Turkish communities, in the context of a genuinely unitary and independent state.

The Archbishop revealed in an interview in Eleftherotypia, the Athens daily newspaper, today that he had given this assurance to Mr Rauf Denktash, the Turkish Cypriot leader, at their second meeting last Satur-

day. He said: "There are many people in Europe and in the United States whose hair stands on end at the prospect that I should remain president.

They believe that because of my They believe that because of my if the new Turkish Governalleged intransigence I am the ment really wants an agreemain obstacle to the closing of ment, the dialogue will enter its final and decisive phase so that agreement is possible by day what my personal intentions

Power struggle in Bermuda splits Cabinet

Hamilton, Feb 15.—Mr Jack Sharpe, the Prime Minister of Berniuda, tonight announced the resignation of four Cabinet members after a power struggle within his United Bermuda The four failed to remove

him from the party leadership when their no-confidence motion was defeated by 15 votes to 10 in a meeting of the par-liamentary party last Friday. Mr Sharpe told a news conference: "I was surprised and disappointed to receive a joint letter of resignation from the four ministers."

The outgoing ministers are Mr C. V. Woolridge (Immigration and Labour); Mr Clarence James (Transport); Mr David Wilkinson (Planning); and Dr Stanley Ratteray (Without

Party sources said that Mr John Stubbs, Parliamentary Secretary for Immigration, had also resigned.
Mr Sharpe's party has 25 seats in the House of Assembly

with the opposition Progressive Labour Party holding 15. The four resigned ministers are keeping their seats and party membership.—Reuter.

Sudan Premier ill

Kuwait, Feb, 16-Mr Rashid al Taher Bakr, prime minister of Sudan, was in satisfactory condition in hospital here today after suffering a heart attack.

TV history of slavery sets viewing records

From Fred Emery Washington, Feb 16

When Americans were not talking about their ferocious winter these past few weeks, it is most certain they were dis-cussing Roots. The televised serial of a black man's view of slavery has fascinated and apparently moved tens of milons of all races across the continent.

Some three fifths (130 million) of the population is reck-oned to have seen most of it far more than voted in the last election. Its final episode smashed the audience record held by a recent television screening of Gone with the Wind and seven of its eight instalments rank among the measured.

It has produced instant social phenomena. Some call it "rootsmania", a fad : others see it as the greatest cathartic influence in race relations since the civil rights triumphs

since the civil rights triumphs more than a decade ago.

The best-selling book, from which the serial was dramatized and named, is a painstaking account by Mr Alexander Haley, a black former government servant, of the tracing of his "roots", generation by generation, back to the Negro tribe in the Gambia. The receipts and bookkeeping The receipts and bookkeeping of the slave trade provided the bulk of his documentation. The book has now gone into 14 printings and is so much in

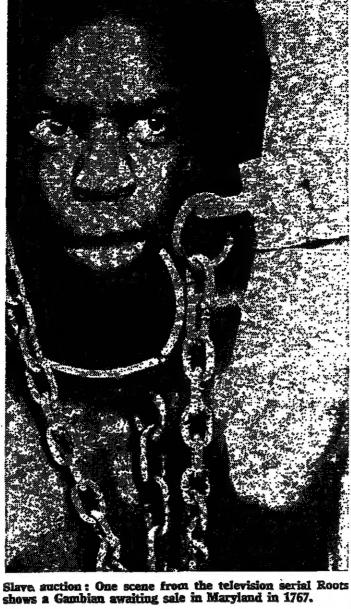
demand that young thieves are stealing copies from bookshops and hawking them on buses and underground trains. A rediscovery of roots of all races has been provoked, and the National Archives is being bombarded with tracing requests. Naturally there is instant commercial response to such successful cornering of the television audience. Boo and films by the score are in the making on the same sub-ject, while black television reporters have been sent rac-

ing off to Africa to report

back, of course, on their roots. Now there has come a wide

debate on why the programme had such impact and what it As BBC viewers will even-As BBC viewers will even-tually see for themselves, the filmed series is finely acted, but it is mostly sloppy melo-drame spiced with sex and vio-lence. Where it fascinates, of course, is in making the blacks heroes, and almost all the

characters descending from Kunta Kinte,



dom. American Indians have often been shown this way. But the blacks in Roots are clever

When in the final scene they turn (with one token white friend) their guns on the vil-leinous white termentors, only to be disarmed by yer more previously concealed white vil-lains, the pathos is awful and The final twist is yet to

They cannot lose everything, surely, and they do not, because our beack here has yet enother trick up his sleeve to win the day. Nobly he ties up his togmentors retrains from giving them a revenge whip-ping and rides off to freedom in the senset with his family. The point is that not in anyone's memory bes that hap-

the enslaved African, are not tidal impact it has to be appre-just noble in their refusal to ciated that Roots played every give up the birthright of free-dom. American Indians have nothing in bitter weather like mass entertainment, with its unconnected "series" had forgotten the colossal compulsive build-up in a serial, night after might It was a colossal gamble, too, by the American Broad-casting Company but this former Cinderella of the "big

" now rules the roost, and seemingly cannot put a The broadcast also came at a time when race relations here, in terms of violence, have been

Admittedly, there are frictions and fear in persistent racism, and many wonder how long the quiet will last. But the reception given to Roots is taken by many as a mature

It could not have been To understand the gathering shown 10 years ago.

Out of bed at 5.30 am, the new President has Washington officialdom jumping before eight

Mr Carter revitalizes the bureaucracy

Washington, Feb 16

The cynical view of American politics, widely expressed during the recent presidential campaign, was that it really did not make much difference who won. With every passing day of his first month in the White House, however, Presi-dent Carter is demonstrating that it does make a difference. On basic policies at home and abroad, the similarities are greater so far than the differences, but even on policy the priorities are different. The energy crisis is finally The energy crists is many gerting more attention and sense of urgency than at any ime since the oil embargo.

Similarly, the problems of this hemisphere have been lifted to the top of the agenda. It is no accident that the first two attentions to the sense right to Weshington.

two state visits to Washington should be by the President of Mexico and, liter this month, by the Prime Minister of Canada. The long postponed negotiations on the future of the Panama canal finally got under way this week, and there is a review coming of the stalemate in relatins with Cuba.

British envoy's kidnapper jailed till 2009

States International Develop-ment Agency, but the guerrillas claimed he was a CIA agent and an expert in torture tech-

niques being used in Monte-video police headquarters. This was denied by the United States

and Uruguayan Governments.
The court also ruled that

Señor Mas, who was a law

Thailand expels

iournalist for

Economic Review.

'coup' report

Bangkok, Feb 16.-Thailand

today ordered the expulsion of

Mr Norman Peagam, the

British-born Bangkok corres-

pondent of the Far Eastern

Economic Review.

The order signed by Mr Samak Sundaravel, the Interior Minister, said an article by Mr Peagam, who is 31, about the possibility of another military coup here had "created misunderstanding" among Thai people

It said the article in the

Hongkong-based magazine was "intended to create a chaotic

situation" and that Mr Peagam was considered to be a person

security "-Renter.

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Administration are strikingly different. It may be the same old game, but the tempo of play has been livened up since President Ford's day. Always it is the President himself who sets the pace and tone of any Administration, and Mr Carter, up at 5.30 in the morning, has this town jumping before eight.

The social habits of the White House are also different. The other night Mr Carrer had the members of the Supreme Court in for dinner. They were early in and early out. Before nine o'clock the out. Before nine o'clock the President simply said he had work to do and left. Even the state dinner for President Jose Lopez Portillo of Mexico was cut down to size with no after-dinner dancing and no booze.

Mr Carter is more available. not only to the leaders of Congress but to the ordinary members who note that all time in recent memory. Perhaps the most visible change now is in the formula-

sion of foreign policy. Many of otherwise an abuse of the process the most pressing issues in this field deal with the world economic crisis.

This involved much discussion, debate and some friction bbtween Dr Kissinger, the Secretary of State, and Mr Simon, the Secretary of the Treasury under President

Now the debate is more regular and more organized, involving not only State and Treasury, but on a continuing basis, Mr Bert Lance at the Office of Management and Budget, Mr Charles Schultze at the Council of Economic Advisers, and Mr Zbigniew Brezezinski, head of the National Security Council.

These are not merely differences of style. Younger and fresher minds are in place at Congress but to the ordinary the heads of departments, annembers who note that all alyzing the old problems with communications with the a vigour and optimism not white House and the department are in years, It is ment heads are more punctual an infectious spirit already and responsive than at any revitalizing the much-criticized bureaucracy, and even Mr Carter dd not promise that.— New York Times News Service.

who was kidnapped and student, took part in the killing "executed" in Montevideo by of three policemen. the guerrillas in the summer Señor Mas was jailed for 30 the guerrillas in the summer of 1970. murder were portrayed later in the film "State of Siege". He was an official of the United

of 1970.

Mar Mittrione's abduction and that after his sentence was murder were portrayed later in the film "State of Siege". He custody for between seven and tas an official of the United 16 years, making a total of at least 37 years in prison.

The term will run from the date of his arrest in 1972, which means he will not be released before the year 2009. The court also ordered Senor

Mas, who was born in Spain, should be deported when he

New York thinks of staging

1984 Olympics

From Our Own Correspondent
New York, Feb 16
New York, which ought to
have enough problems on its
plate, is thinking of putting in
a bid for the 1984 summer
Olympic Games. A joint bid by
New York State and New Jersey is in mind.
"We could put together a
programme that would rival born in Spain, ported when he Diary, page 14 Governor of New York said.

Disgraced Shanghai leader given top job in Yunnan

tant rehabilitation since Mao Tse-tung's widow Chiang Ching and three other radical leaders were purged last October.

Mr Chen, former chairman of the Shanghai Revolutionary known.
Committee and first secretary Last of the city's party committee, was dismissed in 1967 accused of "oppressing the workers' movement". His appearances before his accusers were televised.

Peking, Feb 16.—A well-known party secretary and deputy victim of the Cultural Revolu- chairman of the Yunnan Revovictim of the Cultural Revolu-tion, Mr Chen Pilisien, former Shanghai party leader, has been rehabilitated to high-level posts in the southern province of Yunnan. This is the most impor-The same broadcast disclosed a reshuffle of the Yunnan provincial leadership, notably the naming of Mr An Ping-sheng

Last year Mr Chia was accused in wall posters in Yuman of being a follower of Mr Teng Hsiaoping, the former

as first secretary and chairman of the revolutionary commit-tee, replacing Mr Chia Chi-yun, whose present status is not

Deputy Premier, and it is con-ceivable he could have been Mr Chen Pi-issen is now the China.—Agence France-Presse.

When Scots can sue in England and Scots can sue in England legal system, and that country was the natural forum for its deter-mination, both plaintiff and defendant being resident there, then prima facle the claim should be pursued in that country unless some good and sufficient reason was shown for bringing it in this country. That ameared clearly Fyfe v Redpath Dorman Long Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Stephenson and Lord Justice Waller

country. That appeared clearly from Lord Reid's words. It was plain the natural forum for the claims of each of the two men was Scotland. Each was a Scotsman. Each lived and worked

A Scotsman living and working in Scotland who suffers an industrial accident there but who shows, on the advice of experienced solicitors, that the advantage to him of bringing his action in England outweighs the disadvantage to defendants who have works in Scotland but registered there. The accident was there, at the premises of the defendants. works in Scotland but registered offices in England, is entitled, on the law as laid down by the House of Lords in 1973, to proceed with his action in England. and they could be served in Scotland.

LORD JUSTICE STEPHENSON said that on the facts and the substantive law applicable to the two claims, anyone with nothing but common sense to guide him would say that they ought to be tried in Scotland. If there were a supreme administrator of the courts of the United Kingdom he would have no hesitation in con-signing both actions to Scotland where they belonged.

of Lords in 1973, to proceed with his action in England.

The Court of Appeal, the Master of the Rolls dissenting, so held in reserved judgments dismissing interlocutory appeals by Rockware Glass Ltd, whose registered office is at Greenford, Middlesex, and Redpath Dorman Long Ltd of Grosvenor Place, London, from Mr Justice Robert Goff in chambers. The judge had dismissed their applications that actions by Mr Peter McKinlay MacShannon, rigger, of Ayr, Scotland, and Mr Kenneth Duncan Fyfe, engineering surveyor, of Falkirk, Scotland, begun in England for damages for personal injuries sustained at Rockware's factory and on Redpath's premises, both in Scotland, should be stayed under the court's inherent jurisdiction, and that the plaintiffs should be at liberty to commence proceedings in Scotland. The Court of Appeal granted leave to both companies to appeal to the House of Lords.

Mr Jonathan Playford for both companies; Mr J. Franklin Willmer, QC, and Mr Anthony Kenny for Mr MacShannon; Mr Frederic Reynold for Mr Fyfe.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that Mr MacShannon and Mr Fyfe.

The Master Of The Rolls screen fell on Mr MacShannon when he was working in a factory at Irvine. He was not seriously injured, only severe bruising of The plaintiffs had, however, chosen to exercise their right to sue the defendants in England where the situation of their registered offices founded the jurisdiction. They had made that choice on the advice of their solicitors.

The grounds of the defendants' appeal indicated that the applications to stay were made, first, appeal indicated that the applica-tions to stay were made, first, because the actions were thought to be instances of a trend growing with the increase of industry in Scotland, particularly in connexion with North Sea off, to bring in English courts actions erising out of industrial socidents in Scotland of industrial accidents in Scotland and, secondly, because the majority opinions in The Atlantic Starwers thought to have relaxed the conditions which easiler authorities had imposed on the exercise of the court's discretion to stay actions properly founded within its jurisdiction

when he was working in a factory at Irvine. He was not seriously injured, only severe bruising of the muscles. One would have thought that to get compensation he should go to a local solicitor and bring an action in the sheriff's court in Ayrshire. But he did not. He was a member of a trade union which handled all members' claims from London headquarters with solicitors in Essex. They discovered that his employers. Rockware, had their jurisdiction

Mr Justice Robert Goff had concluded (1) first in applying the principles of The Atlantic Star it would not be proper to pay regard to the cumulative effect of a number of actions being brought in this country in respect of Scottish accidents and (2) that by applying those principles to each action it would not be proper to mant a stay because all that the defendants had shown was inconvenience and expense of a not very substantial nature.

After considering Mr Justice Robert Goff's judgment and of essex. They discovered that his employers, Rockware, had their head office in London; so they issued a writ in the High Court in London and delivered a state-ment of claim here.

Mr Fyfe, who was working in a factory at Methil, tripned and injured himself—not very severally; only onto and himself

After considering Mr Justice.
Robert Goff's judgment and of The Atlantic Star in light of the argument and of the Master of the Rolls' judgment, from which his Lordship differed with diffidence and regret, he was satisfied that the judge was right on both points.

factory at Methil, tripned and injured himself—not very severely; only cuts and bruises on his left knee. Again he did not specially the sheriff's court in Fife-shire. He was a member of an association with headquarters in London and had an experienced solictor here. The writ was issued against Redpath, the occupiers of the factory, whose head office was in London Many other good Scotsmen when injured in Scotland were bringing actions in London, especially in the past two years. They were employed in Scotland by English companies which had places of business in Scotland and could easily be sped there. But the judge was right on both points.
His Lordship could not improve on the judge's summary of the principles in *The Atlantic Star.*(1) If jurisdiction was properly established the plaintiff should not lightly be denied the right to sue.
(2) Though the court had discretion by virtue of jurisdiction to stay such proceedings, it would only exercise it if satisfied by the defendants that taking into account both the advantages to the defendants of proceedings. praces of obshess in Sconand and could easily be sued there. But because they had head offices in London writs could be issued and served here. The insurers of those companies, such as the Eagle Star, felt that it was getting out of hard so they had applied the plaintiff and the disadvantages to the defendants of proceedings continuing in England, the continuance of the action would on balance work an injustice because it would be oppressive or vizatious. (3) It was clear from The Atlantic Star that English courts had rejected the principle of forum non conveniens as a criterion for deciding whether or not stay of execution should be granted; that it was therefore not enough for defendants to show that there was smother more appropri-Scotland and not England.

The law on the subject was reciewed by the House of Lords in The Atlantic Star ([1974] AC 436). Previously we were disposed to think too much of our own legal system. It was so superior to all others that if a plaintiff managed to serve a defendant while he was in this country our courts nearly always let him pursue it to the end unless it was vexations or observes or there was another more appropriate forum in which proceedings could and should be more properly begun: what he had to show was oppression or version, and interpreting those terms more liberally than in the past; but that, as appeared from Lord Reid's speech, if the plaintiff did choose to start proceedings in England when there was some other more natural forum he should provide some justification. Lord Reid had certainly emphasized that national pride mist no it was vexations or oppressive or otherwise an abuse of the process of the court.

In so laying down the law, the courts were going back to what Lord Reid described as "the good old days . . . when inhabitants of this island felt an innate superiority over those unfortunate enough to belong to other races". Those good old days were gone. Our entry into the Common Market had brought many

Lord Rend had certainly empha-sized that national pride must no longer be allowed to regard Eng-lish courts as superior to others and that as a general rule there was no injustice in telling a plain-tiff that he should go back to his own courts so that when he left own courts, so that when he left his natural forum to serve his own ends in our courts he should be expected to offer some reasonable justification for his choice. But his

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Lord Justice Waller (. judgment concurring Justice Stephenson. Solicitors: Davies Cooper; Robin Thom Parmers, Ilford, Essex

Our entry into the Common Market had brought many changes. One was the recognition that other legal systems had their merits too; and we must learn to live with them; so much so that if a claim arose in another country with a fully developed Student wins benefit appeal

Atkinson v Barnsley Supplementary Benefits Appeal Tri-bunal Before Lord Justice Cairns, Lord Justice Roskill and Lord Justice

The Supplementary Benefits commission and the Barusley appeal tribunal acted on an erroneous principle when they deducted £1 from a student's deducted £1 from a student's weekly supplementary benefit on the ground that being a student is an "exceptional circumstance" within paragraph 4(1) (b) of the Awards (First Degree, etc. Courses) Regulations, 1971. The discretion under that paragraph cannot be invoked to discriminate against a whole category of persons, since such discrimination is against the trend of contemporary legislation and social attitudes.

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The Court of Appeal allowed
an appeal by Mr Robin Leonard
Attinson, of Mexborough, a
former student at Newcastle-uponTyne Polytechnic, against the refusal of the Divisional Court (the
Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice
Thompson and Mr Justice Kenneth
Jones) (The Times, April 12, 1976)
to grant him an order of certiorari
to quash a tribunal decision that,
in his case, the single person benein his case, the single person bene-fit of £8.60 a week should be re-duced by £2.63. The £2,63 was arrived at by dividing the full vacation grant of £58 by 22 (the number of weeks in the vacations), giving an entitlement of £6.97, which the commission further reduced by £1 on the basis of exceptional circumstances due to the appellant being a student.

The appellant in person; Mr Harry Woolf for the tribunal. LORD JUSTICE BRIDGE, reading the judgment of the court, said that in 1975 the appellant, an honours degree student, used to return in the vacations to his parents home in Mexborough. He received a local authority grant of the minimum of 550 a year be-cause of the amount of his parents' income. Under regulation 15 the amount of a grant had to be ascertained after taking account be ascertained after taking account of "any parental contribution" applicable under part 2 of Schedule 2, to the Supplementary Benefit Act; 1966. But the regulations did not impose on parents any legal obligation to contribute to his maintenance. At the material time a full grant of £505 a year, notionally including £58 for maintenance during vacations.

In the summer of 1975 the appellant registered for employment but did not obtain any. He then qualified under section 11 of the Act to claim supplementary

applied to the commission. His weekly requirement was assessed at £8.60. In calculating his resources, the commission attributed to him the notional resource of £58, arriving at a weekly resource of £2.63. Under paragraph 25 of Schedule 2, the commission disregarded the first £1, thus giving an assessment of £1.63. Deducting weekly resources from weekly resources from weekly requirements under paragraph 1 ing weekly resources from weekly requirements under paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 gave an entitlement of £6.97. From that a further £1 was deducted under paragraph 4(1) which provided: Where there are exceptional circumstances. (b) a supplementary allowance may be reduced below the amount so calculated or may be withheld; as may be appro-priate to take account of those circumstances. Thus the total weekly allowance became £5.97. The tribunal confirmed the commission's decision and the Divisional Court refused to quash

Were the commission and the tribunal justified in law in attributing to the appellant's resources as available for vacation maintenance the same proportion of a full student's grant as would have been appropriate had he been receiving such a grant when in fact the was not? Mr Woolf submitted that under paragraph 4(1)(h) the he was not? Mr Woolf submitted that under paragraph 4(1)(b) the commission could treat every student's claim to supplementary benefit as exhibiting "exceptional circumstances" because students, as a class, were exceptional claimants: they could register for employment only for part of the year and the appropriate level of maintenance which Parliament intended them to enjoy was that tended them to enjoy was that provided under the regulations. Mr Woolf's argument depended on the premise that the commis-sion relied on their discretion under paragraph 4(1)(b). The Divisional Court accepted it.

But their Lordships thought that in making their initial calculation, the commission could not properly invoke paragraph 4(1)(b), nor had they done so. Voluntary payments could be treated as resources according to a commission handbook. But

the appellant submitted that such payments should not be treated as part of his resources. Giving "resources" its ordinary meaning, it was clearly proper to treat a regular cash allowance from a a regular cash allowance from a parent to a student or the regular provision for him of maintenance in the family home during vacations as part of his resources.

The commission could not investigate each case in detail. They had to adopt a reasonable rule of thumb, starting from a presumption that a parent whose

income was sufficiently reduce his son's grant maximum would make reference. But that basis from was not an infierd.

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the destination finally named.

Mr William Whitelaw, chief Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Penrith and the Border, C)—The position on this side of the House remains exactly the same as that which I stated on November 18; that this House is rightly jealous of individual liberty but at the same time the security of the state must be of primary consideration. be of primary consideration On the evidence available to Mr Rees, and not available to the rest-of us in this House . . . (Labour cries of "Shame".)

Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-West, Lab)-Go back to Russia. Mr Whitelaw-In terms of national security there are inevitably mat-ters which are only in evidence to muristers and no one else and that must be taken into account. Mr Lewis-Who is the next one? They can be tried in camera. Mr Whitelaw—In the circumstances we on this side of the House will not question the decision of Mr Rees.

har Rees—I am grateful to nim for that. What is at issue is whether the powers available under the separate code of the immigration Act. 1971, should be used against foreigners temporarily in this country. (Labour interruptions country. (Labour interruptions and protests.)

I hear tries of "Czechoslovakia". That is not an equation I am prepared to accept. (Labour

Mr Lewis-Shame. Mr Rees-This is an important Mr Rees—This is an important issue and nothing will be gained by my being shouted down. I am not prepared to be shouted down on the equation that some people are better liberals or socialists by the size of their voices.

Those people who shout are not those who have had access to the papers to which I have had access. (Labour interruptions.)

The Speaker (Mr. George

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas)—It would be a thorough disgrace to this House—(Labour shouts of "It is ")—if free speech is dedied even if it is a view members do not like. We must listen to it in this House. Mr Rees-Under the law that 1

have to apply I have information which I have put before an inde-pendent panel, to which I have not spoken. The decision is mine at the end of the day. No Home Secretary could lightly disregard the advice that comes from the panel and I am not prepared to say any more

Mr Lewis-Mr Rees says he has irrefutable evidence that these people have committed some of the most bestal crimes against the state. (Conservative laughter.) He says he has irrefutable evidence that they have butchered the lives of Britishers. He says that in his original statement. Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, out prejudice to their Lab)—That's right.

Mr Lewis—If Mr Rees has that evidence should he not have these people tried in camera? There is no necessity for it to be in public. If they are proved guilty they should be sentenced and sentenced severely. But he is going to deport them to the country of their chaice where, will they not, they will be able to disseminate all the information it is alleged that they have? Is not this a case in which the

American Central Intelligence Agency has demanded this and that Mr Rees has given way to them? Mr Rees has given way to them?
Mr Rees—There have never been
any representations from the
United States Government or any
American agency. I am not interested in that. I am concerned
with the interests of this country.
(Conservative cheers.)
All this talk about the CIA and
what hoppens in the United
States—people are entitled to talk
like that—but some of the people
who have are the most curious
people to have done so.
I am only interested in this
country and I have carried out the
law as it was passed in 1971.
Mr Emlyn Hooson (Montgomery-

Mr Emlyn Hooson (Montgomery-shire, L)—We on the Liberal benches find this whole procedure offensive and contrary to the tradi-tion of fair play and justice in this country. (Labour cheers.) We do not know whether an injustice has been done to either or both these men because we have no means of knowing and though we may rely on the judgment of Mr Rees, the whole procedure lends itself to the occasions when that judgment might be suspect.

Mr Rees—The procedures were discussed in 1969 and 1971. I would be the first to accept that a discus-sion of procedures is important but am sure that no one has yet been able to devise an alternative proce-dure that would protect the sources of evidence. sources of evidence.

I have put my mind to procedures and I know of no way in which the sources of information could be protected. Cases differ but on that precise fact there is the greatest difficulty.

There are those MPs who are

Mr Alexander Lyon (York, Lab)— There is serious concern about this case because no one in the House, apart from Mr Rees knows the evidence in relation to this case, nor do they know whether these med have been treated justly and fairly.

There is great concern that be should have explained a good deal more about what they are alleged

properly worried about it but they should not equate it with the CIA because that is not what I am

to have done, in order to reassure Before these men are deported. will be give an assurance that there will be a debate in the House so that the whole matter Mr Rees—A debate on the procedure is not a matter for me.
On this case I made the situation clear in the first instance. I have said all I can and on that I have to rest. I have discussed the matter with Mr Lyon. He has made clear that he is concerned about procedure; he has every right to be. He worked at the Home Office and has concerned himself with the matter. No one has been able to Jevine a procedure which protects sources or evidence. It is extremely important that that should be done.

Mr Maurice Macmillan (Farnham, C)—As I understand it, the Home Secretary is sending these people either to the United States of America or to the country of their choke. Has he any evidence that they face political persecution at home, or have they applied for political asylum? Mr Rees—I have no evidence on that latter point. There is a proce-dure at the end of a formight, if

they have not gone to a country of their chaice, by virtue of the law I would have to sign an order send-ing them back to the United States, and they would have a right of appeal under the 1971 Act. Mr Robert Mellish (Southwark, Bermondsey, Lab)—I have an enormous regard and respect for Mr Rees. In fairness to himself is it not possible to convey to the country, never mind the House, some idea of what these people are charged with so that we can all I believe that he would not take

a decision of this great importance unless he had evidence which was unless he had evidence which was overwhelming.

Mr Rees—Agee has maintained regular contacts harmful to the security of the United Kingdom with foreign intelligence officers and continues to be involved in disseminating information harmful to the security of the United Kingdom and has sided and counselled others in obtaining information which could be harmful to the security of the United Kingdom.

Sie John Learner Edit (Chamber 1988) security or the Umited Kingdom.

Sir John Langford-Holt (Shrewsbury, C)—Before he listens too closely to analogies between this country and Czechoslovakia, for example, put out by Labour MPs, he should recall that this country is unique in that its citizens can enter and leave with or without passport, at will.

Mr Rees-I am talking about visitors to this country, free to come and go as they will. I have a responsibility in the way I have said, within the country. Mr Philip Whitehead (Derby, North, Lab)—Will Mr Rees accept that the sounds of grief which he has heard come partly because deportation to a country of their choice was precisely what was offered to the Charter 77 leaders in Cascholombid. Conservative MPs-They are

are most concerned that the charges against them might be and was seeking by interrogation to make this clear, and that the charges put to them were not such that they could have any possible notion of the gravity of the offenoes or of what was charged. In the case of Hosemball the main interrogation hinged on a so-called Cheltenham article which subsequently it emerged, he did not write, but which was written by a British subject.

It would be best for the House and for Parliament and the judicial procedures of this country to set up a select committee to look at the procedures in this profoundly unsatisfactory case. I do not believe they can be need again.

Mr Rece—On the question of a

Mr Rees—On the question of a select committee or some appropriate way of looking at the legislation, certainly it. Is a matter of looking at the legislation and procedure. I understand it and I reslize how people feel, but we are not talking about deporting people from Britain. We are not talking about Charter 77, but about people who are visitors.

A Labour MP-They were working here and were educated here. A Conservative MP-Foreigners. Ar Rees—On the question of pro-cedures, there is still the aspect I mentioned that information could not be brought our into public without risking the lives of people

Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavillan, C)—None of us who have had ministerial responsibility for security could ask him with any sense of responsibility in disclose the evidence on which he has taken this decision. If Mr Rees thinks the evidence was strong enough to warrant deportation, that is good enough for-me. (Labour laughter.) Mr Rees—I have the law to carry out. a law which Parliament passed. That is all that is available to me. On that basis, I believe that I have done the right thing.

Mrs Judith Hart (Lamark, Lab)—Speaking as a former minister who had had concern with intelligence responsibilities—(Cries of "Oh")—and on at least two occasions found that sometimes the information is not entirely accurate, is he aware of the great concern about the procedures under the 1971 Act in the hope that some way will be found of looking again at these procedures?

If new procedures are to be found which are satisfactory to him in terms of the urgency and the need to protect the sources of intelligence information, would he be prepared to look again at these two cases under a new procedure? In the whole of the proceedings Mr Agee and Mr Hosenball were not allowed to know anything more about the charges against Mrs Judith Hart (Lanark, Lab)-

defence evidence.

Mr Rees—To look at the protedures conducive to the public good
and security is something properly
for Parliament. That is the right
thing to do. I cannot have this case
looked at again. Anything that
happens in the future might be
looked at under new laws that
would be passed by Parliament. I
did not do this in the first instance
lightly. There are easier things to
do that this case, but I was right.

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Sir Anthony Meyer (West Fint, C)—Despite a massively orchestrated Communist campaign to porray these two individuals as something equivalent to the Shrewabury pickets, the great mass of public opinion in this country remains convinced that Mr Rees has least over backwards to be fair and they remain of that conviction. (Conservative cheers.)

our constant of the constant of the constant of the communists that have been concerned about this. Civil liberties in this country are important matters for this House to consider. There have been people who are to means Communist who are concerned about it and I understand other than the decierned about it and I indicated why, but under the law the decision I have to take, which went to the panel who knew what they were looking for in that respect, is a decision of mine.

All I can say in that respect is that I obviously took very much into account what the panel said. Mr Paul Rose (Manchester, Blackley, Lah)—I express my utter dis-may and revulsion at the Home Secretary's decision, particularly in respect of Mr Hosenball. Having in respect of Mr Nosenball. Having attended the proceedings I can only describe them as a mockery of justice.

How on earth can one answer allegations when one does not know what the allegations are, when one cannot crossessmine those who are making those allegations.

Mr Rees is guilty of double standards in respect of agents of totalitarian powers brought to his attention and about which he has done nothing and his department has done nothing for two years. Mr Rees-On the first point, we must draggee on the proceedings. On the latter point, he is con-cerned about certain Koreans who same about certain abreaus who have been involved in the United States. On evidence in security matters which would be to the detriment of this country, if I had information on that it would be dealt with in exactly the same way. dealt with in exactly the same way.

Mr Patrick Maybew (Royal Tunbridge Wells, C)—This House owes
a duty to those who serve this
country in the security service. In
many cases it would be easier for a
Home Secretary to neglect that
duty by taking a course which
would disclose their identity.

Where he is backed up by the

Mr Rees—On the last point the decision is mine. The panel was advisory. I obviously took into account what they say. One of the things I have to take into account in terms of information is the danger to servants of this country and this any Home Secretary will have to do.

Mr Thomas Litterick (Birming-ham, Selly Oak, Lab)—In view of the recent and colossal failure of the recent and colossal failure of the security service to detect a considerable arms traffic between here and South Africa via the Channel Islands which was illegal, can he assure us with any confi-dence that his intelligence informa-ion system has not been subverted by some other organization for their own purpose?

Mr Rees—I do not know the facts of the case he is referring to. I am satisfied that the information I had dealt with the matter I put to the House and that the information was not subverted If MPs will look again at the statement I made in the first instance—that is what I am concerned with—I hardly see how it can be subverted by anybody from outside.

Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk (Ormskirk, Lab)—We on these benches are not prepared to condemn individare foreigners. Nor are we pre-pared to leave it to the private and in a sense irresponsible decision of the Home Secretary.

Mr Rees will not be Home Secre-tary for the next 1D years and it may well be someone drawn from the Conservative benches who will not have the confidence we have in Mr Rees.

Will be put in train a review of the procedures so that evidence against an individual can be heard, refuted, the procedures are open and acceptable and we shall not in future have a sign on our system of justice and proud tradition of indiridual liberty?

Mr Rees-I understand the probless. There are nine million visitors to this country in the course of a year. I have the responsibility while they are visiting this while they are visiting this-country. In the respect in which I put it to the House, this is not a slur on British justice.

I think it matters to look at this again. But I cannot agree with his last remark about evidence being made available generally. One of the difficulties in this case was that the slightest information would have put at risk and made it easy to identify people from whom we got the information.

Mr Hugh Fraser (Stafford and Stone, C)—Without wasting the time of the House could Mr Rees simply publish a list of European countries where there is a right of appeal against the deportation of a

Mr Rees-It is a unique thing for

people who are visiting the country. That is the case. It needs to be looked at firmly because of the power it puts in the hands of the Home Secretary. I carried out the law as it is. It had to be me. I believe I took the right decision. Mr Ronald Thomas (Bristol, North-West, Lab)—The nebulous statement Mr Rees read out is typical of the statements one reads

Mr Rees—It might be reminiscent of totalitarian countries if I were taking a British citizen with whose views I disagreed and deporting him from the United Kingdom because this is not a free society. But there is no power for me to do that. I am dealing with the problem of people who are visiting this country. They can come here as visitors.

I have a process where there is "conducive to the public good security". There is "conducive to the public good "with regard to Mr Thorsen who arrived the other day. This is "conducive to the public good security". The analogy is not at all with totalitarian contricts.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—While some of the concern expressed may well be expressed by well-meaning people he can expect in the next people he can expect in the next few days to hear those who shout loudest having voices similar to those who shouted loudest when Lord Home expelled 105 Russian spies back to Russia.

Mr Rees—Two days ago I took the decision to release somebody from iall. The comments made then in jail. The comments made site in the House made me out to be something of a flaming radical. Two days later I am a flaming reactionary. You pays your money and you takes your choice.

Mr Lyon later unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate. He said this was the first contested deportation case since these proce-dures were introduced in 1971 and there was great concern about the way in which they were operated in this case. The House should consider whether the procedures had been operated properly.

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in The Times today that a car loan plan for the disabled is now being discussed by ministers. He under-stood the scheme would be for a four-wheeled vehicle which would The Earl of Kimberley (L) said the law to enforce the quota scheme was ignored at every level. The Pulace of Westminster was below the 3 per cent quota while the GLC figure of 1 per cent gave an even worse example to the country. Lord Chelwood (C) said there

were cases of new or modernized hospitals where no proper provi-sion was made for disabled patients or visitors to park their Lady Masham of Ilion said she had been disabled for 19 years and knew that the greatest need of disabled people was to have the correct aids. Most important was for disabled people to have the will to be part of society.

Lady Stedman, Baroness in Walting, said the Secretary of State for Education and Science (Mrs Shirley Williams) had explained that education in an integrated framework would require taraful preparation and full consultation with local education authorities, teachers and others interested. Integration must be seen to bring tegration must be seen to bring benefit to all children affected by it and this raised complex issues.
The Department of Education intended to commission research to obtain a clearer picture of what was involved for ordinary schools in catering for the greater numbers of handicapped children, including

the more severely handl appead, and the best ways of setting about A letter had been sant to chief architects which would seek to ensure that in future plans which required departmental approval would see that provision was made for disabled persons.

The Manpower Services Commission was proposing to issue a guide to employers to encourage them to to employers to encourage them to develop positive employment policies for disabled people.

On The Times report on vehicles for the disabled the Secretary of State for Social Services (Mr David Ennals) was exploring all the possibilities regarding extension of the mobility scheme with the Central Council for the Disabled. There were serious problems.

The debate was concluded.

cern over child mortality rate

homes where mothers worked the quality of care as well as physical condition of the children was higher than in those homes where the mother did not go out to work. But at least two out of fine work.

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But at least two out of five working class mothers suffered from
severe clinical depression and
something should be done to help
them so that the children did not
suffer.

The Bishop of Chelmsford said

The Bishop of Chelmsford said many children were going to experience strains, complaints and psychological disorders in childhood and adolescence. That underlined the need for trained counsellors. There was a rash of organizations springing up offering counselling but sometimes with little training given to those who took on the responsibility. This could present dangers to the young.

Lord Wells-Pestell, Lord in Waiting, said it was not possible to reach any conclusions on the report of the Court Committee until the outcome of consultations was known but there would be no avoidable delay. Many of the recommendations, particularly those which called for far reaching changes in the organization of the

those which called for far reaching changes in the organization of the primary health care of children, would have major implications for the staff concerned and they could be embarked on only after the widest possible consultations.

The Department of Education

Complaints at working of Caravan Rating Act

Mr Guy Barnett, Under Secretary for the Environment, said he was willing to meet a deputation of MPs to discuss what Mr Phillip Whitehead (Derby, North, Lab) called the "regretable" beha-rious of some owners in convertion riour of some owners in connexion with holiday caravan ratings. Mr Whitehead had asked for a review of the procedures for rating noliday caravans under a single bereditament per site in the Cara van Sites (Rating) Act. Mr Barnett (Greenwich, Lab)—No.
As far as I am aware the proce dures laid down in the Act are proving satisfactory in operation and are working better than the previous arrangements under which holiday caravans were rat-able individually. Mr Whitehead—That is not true.

A lot of chaos is being caused by this revaluation. Last year's legis lation is being used as a front by many owners for unfortunate and regretable behaviour with regard to collection charges and the rereval of leases.

Will be meet a deputation of MPs from both sides to discuss this matter, which is becoming a scandal? Mr Barnett-I will be glad to meet

and discuss these issues.

Mr James Lester (Beeston, C)-MT james Lester (Beeston, C)—
The Act is not working well. He should meet MPs and see what is happening on the East coast. People are being charged a fee for collection of rates and are being asked to pay rates for 1977-78 before local authorities have even fixed them. Mr Barnett—I have heard reports of fees which are unjustified and i bave already written to the Depart-ment of Prices and Consumer Pro-tection about this.

Smoking adverts

Mr Roland Moyle, Minister of State for Health and Social Secur-State for Health and Social Security, in a written reply, gave an assurance that in his negotiations with the Advertising Standards Authority he would ensure that the rule in the cigarette advertising code prohibiting advertisements linking smoking with manliness was extended to advertisements linking smoking with feminity.

and Science, the Welsh Office and the Department of Health and Social Security, wrote on the day of publication, December 16, to

of publication, December 16, me health authorities, community health councils, and to 140 organ-

rations concerned with the 'are and education of children, seeking their views on the report and asking for their reactions to the key structural changes proposed. They had asked for views by the end of these are actions.

The Government hoped to be sble to make an announcement on their decision as soon after June as possible. The DHSS was also mak-ing an in-depth analysis of the

ing an in-depth analysis of the report.

The Government shared the concern that although the level of infant mortality was being reduced, they were not achieving the same rate of success as other European countries. The DHSS was sponsoring a number of studies and research projects into infant mortality and morbidity, trying to identify factors that would result in a reduction of the late.

Work was in hand on the resision and updating of a former Ministry of Health booklet called Human relations in obstetrics which discussed how a sympathetic and understanding approach to research could beer he achieved.

and understanding approach to parents could best be achieved. The new version would be issued

next year. The debate was concluded.

Demands for devolution poll in England rejected by 180 votes

The Government's referendum clause received a second reading early this morning after a debate in the committee stage of the Scotland Wales Bill lasting 10.5 hours.

An attempt by Mr Walter Harrison, Treasurer of the Household and Government Deputy Chief Whip, to move the closure failed when Mr Godman Irvine, Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means, said

Chairman of Ways and Means, said he was not disposed to accept the motion at that time.

Two hours later Mr Harrison tried again and this time the motion was carried by 230 votes to 32—Government majority, 198.

The clause providing for referendums on devolution to be held in Scotland and Wales was then read a second time by 231 votes to 24—Government majority, 207, and the committee stage was the committee stage was adjourned. Tuesday's sitting ended adjourned. Tuesday's sitting character it.55 am.

When the committee stage was resumed today Mr George Gardiner (Reigate, C) moved an amendment to the new clause (Referendums in Scotland and tuestant to extend any referendums

Wales) to extend any referendums to the whole of the United King-dom. He said Mr Foot must stop reating England and Northern Ire-land in the way Lord North treated land in the way Lord North treated the American colonies.
He could think of no better way to destroy the integrity of the United Kingdom, which the Government said they wished to maintain, than to gag the Eoghah and those in Ulster in a consultative referendom directly affecting them. He feared a backlash, There would be uproar in Scotland and Wales if an English assembly were proposed with a full number of English MPs at Westminster continuing to vowe on Scotlish and Welsh matters.

Weish matters.

Mr Roy Hughes (Newport, Lab) said he had found appealing part of a leading article in The Times on February 5 which said no referendum should be weld until there was a valid constitutional reason. There was not one in the case of Wales. All the hysteria whipped up was unjustified.

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Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavilion, C) said he could think of no way in which the sovereignty of Parliament could be more effectively undermined than by a consultative referendum which could put Parliament and people at loggerheads. To get round this problem the Government had decided to limit the referendum to Scotland and Wales.

The Act of Union was a contract drawn up between Edinburgh and The Act of Union was a contract drawn up between Edinburgh and London. What none of them could admit was that it could or lauken by a decision of the House supported, if it were to be supported, by a referendum in Scotland and Wales without a similar referendum, consultative or mandatry, being taken of the people of England who were also parties to the contract.

Mr Tam Dalyell (West Lothian, Lab) said the issue was that of dismemberment of the nation, the dismantling of the United Kingfrewshire, Lab) said the reference of the third part is the end of Britain as we have known it (he said) and there is therefore prima facie an overwhelming argument why all critical reason of the United Kingdom should be involved.

Although counting might be done separately, a referendum

wider democratic solution. There was nothing wrong in what was proposed. He did not like the method. The Bill had become a houch potch. The parties should get together to produce an all-party solution.

hir James Sillars (South Ayrshire, Scot Leb) said the political reality was that in Scotland they tended to debate things essentially in the Scottish forum,

Scottish forum,

If they were to have a referendum held in the whole of the United Kingdom in which people in Scotland voted massively "yes", as they would without any question, and the people in England voted "no" by whatever majority then those arguing this amendment had to accept the logic of their argument that at the end of the day the answer would be "no" to the Scottish Assembly even though people in Scotland

"no" to the Scottish Assembly even though people in Scotland had voted for one.

If anyone wanted to blow the union to pieces that was the best way of setting about doing so.

The United Kingdom was a multinational state. There was no point in having a referendum which said at the end of the day:
"One Scottish vote can never equal 10 English votes."

There was a great deal of frustration and auxiety building up in Scotland that could manifest itself if that was the slogan.

Mit Robert Adley (Christchurch Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C) said if they were to have a referendum throughout the United Kingdom a small turn out England of, say, 20 per cent could easily overcome a large turnout of, say, 80 per cent

r Scotland. The decision on the future of The decision on the future of these assemblies should be made by the Scottish and Welsh people. That was why he had put down amendments which would seek to give Scots-born and Welsh-horn people presently living elsewhere than Scottand and Wales, hut within the United Kingdom, the opportunity to vote in the references. Mr Thomas Ellis (Wrexham, Lab)

and thomas has tweetham, Lab) said because it was a question affecting England far less than Scotland and Wales then clearly the referendum should be confined to the people of Wales and Scotland Mr Richard Wainwright (Colne Valley, L) said that when the Walley, L) said that when the whole Bill was constructed on a United Kingdom basis, it seemed peculiarly perverse if the Government were to persist in the view that this had nothing to do with people resident in England and Northern Ireland.

Mr Norunan Buchan (West Renfrewshire, Lab) said the referendum should be held in Scotland and Wales because the people liv-

on a matter which must affect them, their children and grandchilasked why it should be thought that a person who had migrated from Scotland and with no intention to move back should have a special say in what took place in Scotland.

Parliament should be moving forward towards some form of wider democratic solution. There were onwested as a least that he loathed the Bill and all it stood for. He had always opposed for the responsibilities. The Jovernment and took away part of their responsibilities. The Jovernment were onwested as a least that he loathed the Bill and all it stood for the had always opposed their responsibilities. The Jovernment were onwested as a least tarter them, their children and grandchildren.

their responsibilities. The Jovernment were opposed to the amendmen because they feared that at referendum in England would result in an enormous vote against the Bill.

Mr William Hamilton (Central Fife, Lab) said that he had never seen a bigger shambles than this Bill. Nothing could salvage the dignity of the Government, Tomorrow they would be announcing the gullouine. The Government were not true of their arithmetic and were sure of their arithmetic and were still working on it. Whatever the result, nothing could save the Government from almost universal contempt for what they were trying to

contempt for what they were trying to do.

The referendum was to buy off some of the opposition in the
Labour Party. There was now a
further retrograde step of a
regional policy on referendums,
with first and second class citizens
in the United Kingdom. The
Government were conceding the
principle of separatism. Scotland
and Wales should be given preferential treatment. ferential treatment.

He was an Englishman representing a Scottish constituency. He would not have a vote in the referendum. The Secretary of State for Scotland would not have a vote herearth he are not no the electron.

for Scotland would not have a vote because he was not on the electoral role in Scotland.

The Government were not producing the Bill on principle. Ninety-nine per cent of the frouble was that the Government were not convinced of the merits of the Bill. They were going through the motions. He did not believe the Government could survive the farce they were engaged in. Government could survive the farce they were engaged in.

Mr John Smith, Minister of State, Privy Council Office (North Lanarkshire, Lab) said that it would be a difficult situation in which the people of England, Scotland and Wales were asked to rote on propositions for devolution in Scotland would have to vote on Welsh devolution proposals and the people of England and Wales would have to vote on the Scotland would feel that the question of Welsh devolution was something to sk the Welsh about, and not the Scots.

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ask the Welsh about, and not the Scots.

The most important thing was that the people of England through their elected representatives in the Commons should decide whether the Bill was passed or unt. The matter was only to be put to a referendum in the event of the Bill going through Parliament.

There were \$16 English MPs and the Bill would only receive Reyal Assent and the referendums would only tome into effect if Parliament approved of the provision. The votes of the English MPs would be decisive.

decisive.

The people who should be consulted were the people most directly effected. That would tell The amendment was rejected by 249 votes to 69—Government majority, 180.

Opening stores of public information Mr Tom Litterick (Birmingham. Selly Oak, Lab) was granted leave accuracy of certain official docuaccuracy of certain official documore many of the content and the had leave that day of a

to introduce the Freedom of Information and Privacy Bill, the purpose of which was to further the free interchange of opinion in the United Kingdom by providing for greater public access to official information; to safeguard the privacy of personal information colvacy of personal information col-lected and retained for official purposes; to make provision with respect to the keeping, disclosure, state he correction and dissemination of such information; and to make fur-records.

He said the first major purposes of the Bill was to open up the stores of public information held by government departments and make them available to the public with exceptions in relation to miliand certain others. Its second main purpose was to protect the individual from the potential powers the state held over him by the collection and storage of individual

come into possession of his hospigal record which described him as an atheist and a homosexual, when on both counts he was the oppo-

If that patient had been allowed the right of access at the time his record was compiled, that travesty of justice would not have occurred. Information was power and executive secrecy was only justifiable in certain circum-

Campaign by IRA in prisons: no amnesty

Mr Arthur Bottomley (Teesside, Middlesbrough, Lab) osked the Home Secretary how many convicted prisoners there were in England and Wales whose offenses were connected with Irish Republitreatment.

organizations serving prison sen-tences in England and Wales for tences in England and Wales for terrorist offences. The offences committed by these prisoners in-clude murder, multiple murder, attempted murder and causing explosions. Seventy-five of the prisoners are in the highest security category, Category A. As regards their treatment, allegations have been made from time to time (for example, in an article in the Law Guardian of November 24, 1976) that Irish prisoners are discriminated against because of their political beliefs. These are unfounded. Such prisoners are subject like all others to the Prison Rules and Such prisoners are subject like all others to the Prison Ruics and Home Office administrative directives, and are also subject to the same appropriate security procedures applied to all prisoners presenting a very high security risk.

As with all other prisoners they may take advantage of the normal internal channels for ventilang complaints about meir treatment and, once they have done so, are free to take legal action against the prison authorities if they wish.

The Category A prisoners and most of the others are held in the seven dispersal prisons. These were set up on the recommendation of the Advisory Council on the Penal System in its report. "The regime for long term prisoners in conditions of maximum security" (the Radxin-wicz report).

Category A prisoners form anout 10 per cent of the population of

dispersal prisons and each dispersal prison has its share of terrorists.

The aims of the dispersal system are the secure containment of the prison population and the establishment and maintenance of a, humans and purposeful community within a very secure perfusers. within a very secure perimeter.

Some of the terrorists have Mr Merlyn Rees, in a written reply, said—There are 93 prisoners connected with Irish Republican such as wearing their own clothes such as wearing their own clothes or expension from work claiming.

such as wearing their own clothes or exemption from work claiming they are "political prisoners". We do not recognize that status and we will continue to reject any claims to it.

Many of the terrorists have committed offences against prison discipline including mutiny and assaults on prison staff for which they have been punished.

Some of them have sought to gain their own ends by going on hunger strike, by rooftop demonstrations and by causing disturbances at visits. Some have used even more objectionable provocations (such as throwing buckets of urnue over prison staff) in order to provoke prison staff. or urine over prison staff) in order to provoke prison staff.

This harassment of prison staff has included the making of allegations of ill-treatment followed by refusals to cooperate in any investigation of the complaints.

The Provisional IRA is deliberately setting about a campaign in our prisons to eather support for our prisons to gather support for its argument that its adherents are different from other prisoners and that their acts of terrorism are:

that their acts of terrorism are justified because they are politically motivated.

The view of the Government isclear. These men and women have been convicted and sentenced by the courts for criminal offences. They will serve their sentences in accordance with the law.

Misbehaviour while doing sowill continue to be dealt with firmly but fairly under the appropriate Prison Rules. There will be no ampesty.

Ing questions.

Mr Stanley Newens (Harlow, Lab) had said—While welcoming the steps which the Secretary of State has taken on inner city areas, he must make clear that this is not proposed as an alternative to new town development. It would be wrong of us to regard new town development, inner city redetclopment or the development of smaller city centres as being mutually exclusive policies.

Those of us concerned about housing ought to be concerned to housing ought to be concerned to support them all.

Mr Shore—I agree—they are not mutually exclusive pointies. Anyone looking at the postwar period would acknowledge the tremendous part the new towns played in relieving the intolerable pressures within the luner cities of major connurbations. But we have to look now in the changed circumstances at all policies relating to the dispersal of population from our cities. Within that context, I am reappraising the role of the new towns.

Mr Demis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab) said the problem facing the Government would continue until Mr Shore tackled the problem of Idr Shore tackled the problem of refusing to cut public expenditure in the way the Government had.

Until he halts that (he said) and assists with more housing and in providing goods and services for the public utilities, he will never solve the problems of the inner cities, new towns, rural areas, large towns, small towns, and the rest. That is where the problem is.

is. Mr Shore—I do not agree. Even in

In changing circumstances, the times when national economic Government had to 1 ok at all policies relating to the dispersal of population from the cities, Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab) said during times of relative national affluence, the problems of the inner cities nive been growing: and have not been dealt with.

One of the things we have to do, respectively. stringency has not been pulling its cords around as so tightly as today, during times of relative national affluence, the problems of the inner cities nave been growing and have not been dealt with.

One of the things we have to do, regardless of the total resources available, is to use what we have more sensibly and in a more purposeful and helpful way to tackle what are revealed to be serious problems of our society.

Mr Michael Heselting, this finance Mr Michael Heseltine, chief Oppo-Mr Michael Heseltine, chief Opposition spokesman on the entironment (Henley, C)—In talking about deploying more public resources in the inner city centres, he is missing the point. Cides grow because there is a powerful economic reason for them doing so. The more the state has encroached, the more the planner has regulated, the more controls have proliferated, so the economic and social attractiveness of the inner cities has declined.

Until he recognizes that there are enough severe restraints on the are enough severe restraints on the public sector and therefore it is the

private sector that is going to have to be given incendives to no back into the inner city areas, he is not going to realize the massive change in public attitudes necessary to restore strength to our cities. mr Shore—That is too partial a view of what has happened in the inner cities. Local authorities in inner city areas have given, for the greater part of the postwar period; absolute priority to housing used and tended perhaps not so much to consider the needs of employment

consider the needs of employment and particularly, small firms In their areas. That I accept.

The inner cities have until recently not had that extra increase in resources for dealing with their problems. They have now been getting it since we changed the needs assessment of the rate support grant in 1974. the rate support grant in 1974,

Macaulay in great force

The Letters of Thomas **Babington Macaulay**

Edited by Thomas Pinney Volume Three, January, 1834 August, 1841, (Cambridge, £18.80)

Volume Four, September, 1841-December, 1848 (Cambridge, £19.50)

The third and fourth volumes of Thomas Pinney's splendid edition of Macaulay's correthere are more to come—are informed respectively by Macaulay's emperience of India and by the show withdrawal from public life in preparation for the History of England, the first two volumes of which appeared in December, 1848. The more we read his letters the more he emerges as a figure of incom nonour: it is hard to imagine anyone more worldly or more wise or, after a painful strug-gle with prodigious early expectations and family feel-ing, more truly free to be him-

The apprenticeship—in India, Parliament, Cabinet and as star contributor to the Edinburgh Review—was a long one. "This is the hottest month in the Bengal year he wrote from Calcutta to his younger tisters in May, 1836.

The sun blazes like a furnace The soldiers, it is said, dress beefsteaks by laying them at noon on the canson of Fort William. Yet we all thrive and bloom under this raging heat—the baby and I in particular. I run up and downstairs, eat and drink heartly, and sleep like a top from the moment that I lie down till my blinds are opened at daybreak.

Day broke over the Chowring-hee Road and the Hooghly River (How like Macaulay, acclaimed by his contemporaries for his "fertility of illustra-tion", to have perceived, as the Pex Britannica rose to its zenith, that same blasphemous conjunction of smoking metal and raw meat used 90 years later in a song of imperial deca-dence by Bertolt Brecht). Be-tween dawn and mine o'clock hen he took a large breakfast with his sister Hannah, brother-in-law Charles Trevel-yan, and baby Margaret, whom he helped to feed, the Legal Member of the Council of India had time to himself.

The barber arrived at aix ("Black fellow die much", he reported, when the cholera fell on the unseen ghettoes beyond the Esplanade) and the rest of the time, when not walking about the portico, Macaulay read and shared his reading with his correspondents. In the

made by John Pudney in his recent Lewis Carroll and his World (Thames & Hudson, £3.50) and although readers of Johnson, or Blake, or Coleridge

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Terence, Lucretius, most for at least the second time and all Thurydides, Xenophon, Plato, Pharack, Aristotle, Camilius, Livy, Gaesar and Cicero once each, Thurydides and Homes were his gods.

He read voraciously joyiully and with critical open-minded-ness: "My dear Charley", he wrose to his young nephew a few years later, "Enclid was a clever fellow and so was Archimedes. When I called the Sages humbugs I was not thinking of such men as those. Socrates was a clover fellow too, but a great humbug and a great bore." Socrates had been devious with his friends and tory: his fate was unsurpris-

After breakfast, new arrivals in Calcutta were scrutinized in the shipping lists of the Bengali Press. Work was done in the heat of the day in high and shuttered rooms. Macaulay declining both diffin at two and the subsequent siesta. Before dinner there was a short drive in the blessed snort drive in the blessed evening breeze, and after dia-ner, bed. Within this manda-tory ritual, Asiatic terrors and disorders were more or less command and European, ener-

gies could move. Without his reading and the order of his day Macaulay might like others, have run mad in India. Hanneh's marmad in India. Hannels's mar-riage to the admired bot prig-gish ideologue Trevelyan within the first year of their term in Bengal had been as severe a shock as Margaret's a year earlier. Margaret's death from scarlet fever in Liver-pool, 15,000 miles away, was the worst. We know from the first rom volumes of the Letfirst two volumes of the Let-ters that Macanlay's possessive brotherly love for Hannah and Margaret approached the mor-bid and an irrepressible selfpity seems to me the only unattractive element of a great

Yet even so he wrote letters in this vein only to the women themselves, and we sometimes feel we should not be reading them, 140 years later; not all of Professor Pinney's scholarship can amoesthe-tize them from their privacy and their pain. After 1836, his emotions are rarely referred to in this way and his anguish is replaced by a deepening con-tentment in all his sisters, brothers and their children. Mecaulay was naturally convivial, and enjoyed drink, food and metropolitan companionship of his own choosing.

"Macaulay in great force",
recorded an admiring Greville
of one evening in the forties,

Lewis Carroll: various fits Brian Alderson

"Certainly Carroll must come a long way up the charts in the studies to show just what can second only to Shakespeare in last decade or so. Quite apart be done if you decide that con-

a newsletter to keep track of

events, there is also season by

season, a steady flow of ex-

ploratory works hunting the Boojum of Carroll's genius

through the next looking-glass, or getting snarked among tangled tails.

a series of pictorial introduc-tions to "Great Lives", is not

required to venture far from the Received Portrait, and only in cash terms does it compare favourably with another "illus-trated life": a welcome new

edition of Derek Hudson's Lewis Carroll (Constable, £6.50). With Frances Becker Lennon's biography (published in paperback by Dover/Con-stable, £2.80) this must rank as

the best available account of Carroll's life, Mr Hudson bring-ing out the quirks and stiff-nesses of the man without for-

feiting either the reader's

sympathy or his confidence that, despite the difficulties, this is how it was. (By contrast, Mr Pudney does not seem to care much for his subject and stirs the reader chiefly with his waspish criticism of Carroll's

apparent egocentricity and of his penchant for comely maidens rather than the chil-dren of Arnold's "brutalised"

lower classes.)

Derek Hudson is admirably level-headed too in his discussion of the notorious contradic-

Mr Pudney's contribution, in

the member and complexity of from the endeavours of the words that have been written Lewis Carroll Society, who need about him. The assertion is both a quarterly magazine and

first 13 months alone he con wishing he could have got it sumed Aeschylos, Sophocles, all down.
Pindar, Theocritus, Plautus, Afric Zachary's death in 1838, Tom was bead of the family. His purpose in giving up Parliament and going east in the first place had been to help draft a new Penal Code for British India and so save enough money to support his remaining usumarried sisters and to buy his own freedom to

write history for the rest of his life. Opportunities for his life. Opportunities for social extravagance in Calcutta being severely curtailed since the financial crists of 1830, and investment reduced to the bere minimum of repairs needed to keep shead of the monstons and the white ants, and by the universal desire to die well, in England, Macanlay did save, Yet without explaining in his letter oute why, on his

his letter quite why, on his return from India in 1838, he postponed the full profession of literature for a further decade becoming MP Edinburgh, Secretary at War in the Whig Government of 1841, Paymaster-General in 1847. He was active in the House, but a was active in the House, but a far from ariumphant representative of the Gude Town, being too sophisticated for the conservatives and too constitutional for the radicals.

They threw him out in 1847-and, as international events in 1848 took their course, Macaulay seems to have fielt that a crisis was coming in which men would make decisions for the wrong reasons, something

the wrong reasons, something throughour the climaxes of Reform end famine that he himself had been scrupulous never to do. Moreover, he lacked the stomach for vicious fighting—he had once declined to write about Frederick the Great "because there is too much cutting of throats"—and he resisted with absolute firmness the many extempts to get him back into office. The last red box is gone ", he wrote to Sir Charles Wood on May 1, 1848. "I have tied red tape for the last time. My table is still covered with despatches to be sure. But there is not on it one despatch of later date than 1689." He was free The chronologies, notes,

layout, type-face, paper, jacket and binding of Panney's edition are all exceptionally currective. are all exceptionally attractive. The cost grows less and less so and I trust their Cambridge University Press plan to acknowledge their duty to make available the best of Pinney's scholarship and Macaulay's great spirit (full of humour and delicate wit too, by the way) in two paperback by the way) in two paperback volumes at a civilized price. Not to do so would be a soundal-the Penguin English Library still ignores Macaulay completely—and there is no shortage of glorious stuff.

tradiction must have its way and that the last place for heads is on the level. Mr Francis

Huxley in The Raven and the Writing-desk (Thames & Hudson, £3.95) has set before the public one of the choppiest bits of logic for many a long day, and one of the most elusive (alusive?) guides to Carrollian imagination of all time.

His "enquiry" starts from, and flaps in uneven circles round, the famous, uneasswerable riddle at the Mad-Hatter's tea-party: "Why is a raven like

tea-party: "Why is a raven like a writing-desk?". In the course of his investigation (which has more Fits than that of the Beliman) he traverses the whole

territory of Carrollian nonsense, and although he finally returns,

and atmongs he many returns, not with one answer, but with many, it has been an invigora-ting quest. This is partly because Mr Huxley draws upon

an immense range of references

often to prove fortuitous propositious that turn up on the
way—and parily because he has
cast his arguments in the form

of those apparently non-sensical syllogisms which Charles Dodgson foisted upon Lewis Carroll. The result is rather like

Michael Ratcliffe



Honey bun: Mary Martin in South Pacific.

Broadway baby

My Heart Belongs By Mary Martin (W. H. Allen, £5)

(W. H. Allen, £5)
Showbusiness autobiographies from Broadway being what they are, often less than wonderful, expectations may not be hugely aroused by one by Mary Martin entitled. My Heart Belongs. Expectations would then be wrong. Like the Cole Poster garden to Daddy she Porter anchem to Daddy she first sang on the stage in 1938 and from which Miss Martin has lifted her title, the book is a wonderfully double-edged

The song, you may recall, starts out as en expression of filial devotion and ends up as a hymn in praise of sugar daddies; the book starts out con-ventionally enough (Texan childhood, conservative parencage, dancing classes) but then it too gradually breaks out of the mould, so that by the end we have been given not just the memoirs of another Broadway baby but instead those of a woman whose life has encompassed two marriages (one of which ended when her ambition became apparent, the other of which encailed drying out an alcoholic) a 10 year out an alcoholic), a 10-year retirement to Brazil and an undying but oddly classical devotion to the storyline stage musical.

Yet it would be hard to find anyone (with the possible exception of the infinitely noisier Ernel Merman) whose career is so closely linked with the rise and fail of the Broadway musical: Mary Martin way involved in the leading roles in South Pacific, The Sound of Music, and I Do! I Do! turned down Oklahama took Annie Get Your Gun on a year-long tour and became for and only Peter Pan in a musical adaptation of the Barrie play seen first on stage and then reshown on television

Christmas after Christmas as part of the national celebra-In this country she did South Pacific and Hello Dolly! and reopened Drury Lane after

and reopened Drury Lane after the war with a uniquely disastrous Noël Coward musical Pacific 1860. More surprisingly, she once had her own personally-trained ream of dancers called The Martinettes and later wrote one of the longest-lasting of all American bestsellers. a manual on bestsellers, a manual needlepoint.

Yer again and again in her autobiography, despite an evi dent devotion to large numbers of friends and children and now grandchildren, we come back to Broadway which in her eyes is not the tawdry midtown area any tourist can see today but instead a place of magic and rigid discipline and special enchantment. She writes of Broadway much the way that Olivier used to talk of a National Theatre, and in her time of course it was America's National Theatre. Her film career was curiously undistinguished and, like Merman, she has largely ignored television on the grounds that anything that small and without a live audience cannot be worth 100 much bother. Her world was that of Rodgers and Hammerstein and Porter and Gershwin and Kern, and she writes of it now not with nostalgic sentimentality but with the kind of brisk efficiency she always brought to her own

stage work.

Typically, Mary Martin has already had her retirement and is now, at only 63, ready to start on something new: the Broadway of Southeim and A Chorus Line may not be for her but the American theatre year-long tour and became for two entire generations of would be unwise to let her go away again—they're never and only Peter Pan in a

Sheridan Morley

Dangerous illusion

In Our Time By Godfrey Hodgson (Macmillan, £195)

This absorbing book is about the rise and fall—well, partial fall—of the American emoire. Godfrey Hodgson explores the years from the Second World War to Nizon, but his soint of departure is the consensus and supporting ideology by which American policies and society were ruled when President Kennedy was inaugurated in-1961 and everything seemed

The ideology of imperial liberalism was based on simple

The American system worked at home and America must be strong abroad. There was a sense at the beginning of the 1960s that the businessman and the unskilled labourer, the writer and the houselabourer, the Criter and the nouse-wife, Harvard University and the Strategic Air Command, Inter-national Business Machines and the labour movement, all had their parts to play in one harmomous political, intellectual and social sustem_

Within a dozen years the system was in ruins. The consystem was in ruins. The conflicts of the age of Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon also broke the continuity of the American experience. For the first time since the Civil War, Americans were compelled to ask not how to solve their problems, but whether problems could be solved.

Two of Hodgson's main concerns are the dangerous illu-sions upon which the ideology of imperial liberalism was based. The first was that the inequalities and injustices of American society were residual, and could be abolished by the expenditure of

resources on a scale that need not involve any hard choice between priorities. The other was that the United States could use its military power to change the world in conformity with its wishes and not itself be changed in the pro-

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The villains of the piece, the creators of these and other illusions, were an elite which, history, controlled enough of the expanding, powerful insti-tutions of society to be without effective check or balance. It was the liberal elite.

The idea is not exactly new.
I first explored the failure of

American liberalism long before Nixon was elected President. Also I am not so sure that Americans have been humbled by recent experience. Their presumption of omni-competence is not wholly illusory, and few outside of the credited liberal elite ever believed in American omnipotence.

These are hardly criticisms. Hodgson has much to say which is original. He also ranges far and wide, from black power to the influence of the Bearles on a generation of Americans and the influence America had on them. the first america had on them.

He is cautiously optimistic for the future. He could hardly be anything else because of his deep knowledge and understanding of the United States. He recognizes the energy, good sense and generosity of the American majority, which the liberal élite constantly understimated or denigrated and estimated or denigrated, and believes that a new consensus will be built on the ruins of

illusion. Amen to that. Louis Heren

Small is beautiful

At a time when regionalism, nationalism and similar minority forces are prodding minority forces are prodding with varying degrees of vigour at some of the large states of Europe, this is a timely and absorbing guide to the small languages of our continent. The linguistic variety in Europe is astonishing: in 796 pages, Meic Stephens, the literature director of the Welsh Arts Council, sets more than fifty languages into their than fifty languages into their historical, cultural and political contexts and shows how some of them cobsbit amiebly with their big neighbours, while others cause only friction. They are all here:

Welsh and the Gaels, the Bretons, Basques, Catalans Lapps Corsicans, Alsatians, Sards, Sorbs, Aostans, Frisians and others—a tapestry of tongues. Some are respected, tolerated,

Linguistic Minorities in

Western Europe

By Melc Stephens

(Gomer Press, Llandysul, Dyfed, Wales 29.50).

At a time when regionalism, storehouses of identity and history. They are also a kind of refuge and a form of privacy. And some people will not lightly let them go. The power of even small languages, as Mr Stephens shows, should not be underestimated.

Trevor Fishlock

Hovel in the Hills, by Elizabeth West (Faber, £3.95). This delightful book, written by a typist who "dropped out" to a remote, wet and out" to a remote, wet and windy hill-cottage in North ing account of the difficulties and discomforts. Mistakes and and discomforts. Mistakes and failures are not only admitted, but fully described. The successes boasted are small. Yet no less vividly the book conveys the joy in the country-side, in wild things, and in coping for oneself that those who are content to make their own way with modest means Some are respected, tolerated, aided; others are cold-shouldered, even repressed. Mr who are content to make their Stephens shows how they are affected by the great erodents of small languages, depopulation, neglect, television immigration, neglect, television immigration and, here and there, contempt.

One of the surprising things about many of the small languages without a tinge of envy for guages—not least Welsh—is those with the courage to that in spite of all the pressures choose the challenging but upon them, they survive at ail. materially less rewarding way.

Your life in their hands

Is This Your Life?

Images of Women in the Media Edited by Josephine King and Mary Stott (Virago, £1.95)

"I was surprised to find her so feminine", Michael Foot is said to have remarked, on meet-ing Mrs Gandhi. In its way, it is a classic statement. Men succeed: women don't. Success, therefore, equals masculinity, and feminine women are failures. When this long established notion is challenged or threatened, we get headlines about Battling Grannies or, as quoted in this book "Fight be-tween Blonde and Redhead" referring to Mrs Thatcher and Mrs Castle, two women who are both successful and personally attractive-for which they will never be forgiven.

the Tractaus Logico-Philosophi-cus rewritten by Tristram Shandy but it will send amateur and professional Carrollians back to the texts with many new and unexpected insights. Is This Your Life? collects together 12 authors with views on radio, advertising, newslower classes.)

Derek Hudson is admirably level-headed too in his discussion of the notorious contradiction that the man who composed the Syllabus of Plain Algebraical Geometry could also write Alice, but it is left to a new arrival at the table of Carroll

As for texts, all readers of Lewis Carroll (not least Mr Huxley) will be pleased to know that a facsimale of the Rectory Magazine has just been published, introduced, believe it or not, by one Jerome Bump (University of Texas Press, 560). This magazine was edited and written out by the young Charles Dodgson in the 1840s. papers, comics, popular fiction, films, television, popular music, erotic magazines and women's magazines in a reasoned attempt to clarify why the image of woman, despite the progress made in recent years, is still so often the stereotype of the bloude, the redhead, the secretary bird, the nagging wife, the perfect mum-women con-tained between views of Andy Reviews next week: Richard Holmes on Utopia and Revolution, by Melvin Lasky; David Piper on Coreggio by Capp and George Gambol. Cecil Gould; Piers Brendon on The Great Boer War by The editors have deliberately Byron Farwell; Jacky Gillott and Jeremy Lewis on fiction. | concentrated on the mass

media, believing that what is editor's instructions. Whenever heard daily on radio and television and seen on bookstalls is more of an influence on society than "serious" plays, books and programmes. They have produced a formidable indict-

ment of values and outlook.

Thus the BBC gets many letters from women describing their lives as trivial, meaning-less, desperate and lonely. Mileva Ross claims that BBC Radio 1 and 2 provide "for the housewife" mindless, trivial chatter interspersed with pop records, dispensed by men disc jockeys during the daytime, on the principle that women don't like the sound of women's voices. Most of the programme, it is to be hoped, will be drowned in the noise of the Hoover, washing machine and dishwasher and the children. On the other hand, a fortnight's listening to Woman's Hour (not on the "popular" channel) convinced me that it was the sanest and most entertaining programme on the air. Mileva Ross points again to the imbalance in Any Questions, A Word in Edgeways and other programmes (one woman to three men and a male chair-man) defended by the BBC by the assertion that it "reflected the participation of women in public life", but not, the author

adds, in society.

Pat Barr's points are reinforced by Liz Mackie's cartoon in the newspaper section "sub-

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might seem amusing. But
"Cricketer's girlfriend vanishes" was the headline in a
current case of suspected murder, followed later by a reference to "oil-chief's daughter". What value is being put on a life defined only in terms of relationships with men? It might also be noticed that any controversial subject is treated in terms of war and battle.

"Trench warfare" between unions and management, fights, attacks, crusting defeats, disasters (generally in the field of sport). "Fil thump you one of these days" is a declaration which would get one removed from the playeroup, but not, it

from the playeroup, but not, it appears, from the House of Commons. It may be an unconscious expression of aggression which is described as masculine, but it does not appeal in the least to women, and may account, in part, for the genera decline in newspaper circula-

each other's company, women will be inclined to stay away from the cinema in large numbers. Celia Brayfield writes an

The title does not help. It

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It is, in fact, a large plod-

cutting pieces of acute observa-

ding book that chronicles the

Philippa Toomey

excellent piece, pointing out that all is not lost—there are now a number of women direc-tors but she does not mention the work of Eric Rohmer (Ma Nuit Chez Maude, Le Genou de Claire, La Collectioneuse, and others) who seems to have a wonderful appreciation and understanding of women. Women's magazines have

always been regarded as the province of the dull little housewife, the homebody easily led to know what is good for her. It is true that the "unpleasant" is generally avoided in consumer magazines, as Carolyn Faulder points out. But there has been a new facing up to death, bereave-ment and serious illness recently in those farther up the scale. A survey of Woman's Own readers provided a surprising statistic that one in four had been unfaithful to their husbands—an unexpected image for so cosy a magazine.

Is This Your Life? should, of course, he read by the people who won't read it—the managements, the sub-editors, the MCPs. It is not a plea for men the transfer in the same way. A similar argument might as women have been. A fictional "Husband of Prime women are portrayed in films as whores, bitches, victims or no more sensible than the dolls and men really prefer recent "Wife of poet wins £350". Let us believe novel prize". Let us behave like reasonable people and not (as the law would have it) reasonable men.

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(London Magazine Editions, £4.50) It has been a bleak year so far Publishers wake slowly from

their post-yuletide slumbers. When they do, their timid snufflings seem to disturb only slim volumes of Albanian short stories or vast tomes by American lady writers suffering from severe Salinger menopause.

Thank goodness for Ham-nond Innes. men, one a hunter, one a con-server, who follow a herd of African elephants desperately his novel. It is bold, original, colourful,

sinewy and bracingly entertain-ing throughour.

For too long this writer has suffered from the snooty con-

descension of critics, whose idea of high excitement is the discovery of a misplaced hyphen, whose ideal of excellence is a turgidly, self-consciously sensitive application of sciously sensitive analysis of the effects of a displaced Let us set the rezord

straight. Mr Innes is a master of his He is a superb story teller.
He is an entertainer of the highest quality and thoroughly deserves the awesome vastness of the sales of his books.

The Big Footprints is prime The setting as always is spectracular. Here it is Africa in the afternath of a devastating continental war.

The story line as always is spectrum. The story line as always is inventive and taurly constructed. Here it concerns two

There is something curiously elephantine about Malcolm Macdonald's The Rich are trying to seek sanctuary in the with you Always. ecological disaster produced by certainly doesn't set the palate tingling in anticipation of dazz-

The ingredients are basic. The characterization is basic. too, and the dialogue is wooden What distinguishes this book,

however, is the passion and compassion, which has gone into the conception and the writing. Mr Innes cares deeply about wild life and the fearful dangers it faces. This book is a

dreadful warning about what will happen if natural habitat is despoiled for short-sighted Indeed in a sense this book is an allegory, which seeks to

shock, to wound at times and to disturb. Let us not be too serious, however. This is a book of thumpingly high entertainment

contrasting lives of two families living in the Victorian England of the 1840s. When reviewing books of this kind (and there are too many these days) I always seem to say "the historical background was excellent."

you can't get those details is a feeling of care and commitment. Perhaps the only reason I

Perhaps the only reason I quite considerably on Bain-remark on it is because there bridge certitory. She holds her is precious little else to praise. own well and is deservedly is precious little else to praise.

I hate to be carping and grumpy, but Mr Macdonald's book is very low on inspiration nal and talented novelists now and almost grinds to a halt in in circulation.

It is in no way offensive. It is in no way incompetent.

establishing for herself a repu-tation as one of the most origi-

The Regiment

Michael Church

Having escaped compulsory national service by the chronological skin of my teeth, and being firmly of the opinion that, had I not escaped, I would have been permanently unmanned by the experience, my habitual response to military matters has always tended to be one of fascinated horror.

always tended to be one of fascinated horror.

Noble, brutal, grotesque, pathetic—army life seems a strange cross to embrace when the choice is voluntary, and when no burning issue is at stake. And it embodies insoluble conundrums. Teach your men to think, but not too much. Teach them to obey, but not like zombies. Give them too soft a time and you sap their resolve; give them puritanical hell and you breed a dangerous race apart.

After seeing The Regiment I am, if anything, more fascinated, and certainly a shade less horrorstruck by military realities. Julian Pettifer's three months with the Royal Green legions.

the riflemen were a fascinating

On the other hand, the officers, set apart by accent, breeding, belief in their destiny,

breeding, belief in their destiny, and by their ability, when not displaying extraordinary obtuseness, discreetly to veil their prejudices. Fundamentally serious, however, and in some cases transparently honourable. The film made much of the army's microcosmic, Wonderlandish class system, showing how the necessary periods of relaxed intermingling alternated with rigid segregation at significant points of the day. It dwelt delightfully on the craziness of parades, and on the Gilbert and Sullivan charades which the proud officers and amused men enacted during

amused men enacted during their stint at the Tower.

sciety has, at present, impli-citly put the army on trial. For some, it is not tough enough. For others, it is morally, socially and politically ana-thems. It is salutary to be shown, with tolerant affection,

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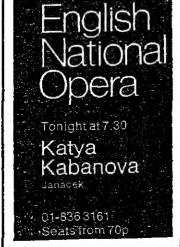
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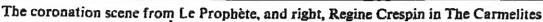
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to bring back some neglected

operas to the repertoire. Just as Rossini at the Met has tended to exist in recent years

on countless performances of The Barber, so nineteenth-cen-

tury French opera has centred on Carmen, Faust, Manon and

the occasional Roméo. John Dexter, who has staged Le Pro-phète, deserves all praise for

having the courage to see whether this great whale of a work can still survive in per-

formance rather than pusillani-mously waiting for someone else

Le Prophète has the sprawl Meverbeer's librettist, Eugene Scribe, favoured so much. It spans from Dordrecht to Leyden, where Jean is transformed from being a simple innkeeper to the Prophète of the title mainly because a trip of visit-

mainly because a rrio of visit-ing Anabaptists think he looks

much like the portrait of King

David in Münster Carbedral. Münster is indeed the next stop,

where the Anabaptists lead a

people's revolution before sell-ing out to the German Emperor.

The end is a Götterdänmerung-style holocaust in Münster Palece, which explodes in flame while Jean and his mother, Fides, clutch each other as they prepare to meet their maker.

Scribe's text, which has h

trimmed down from that printed in his Ocuvres Com-

pletes, is not a thing of great beauty. Leo Slezak, a distin-guished Jean de Leyden in his

time, sent it up mercilessly in his Opera Guide. And Heine

turned some witty verses on the subject of the luckless librettist:

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Ballet International's bigges

asset is probably the youthful enthusiasm of its corps de ballet

and junior soloists. You might be surprised what a benefit that

brings, even in so formal a ballet as The Sleeping Beauty. The ensembles are all done with spirit; even the attendants grouped at the side of the stage

look interested in what is going

on.
If the company can overcome

its financial worries, described in Tuesday's *The Times Busi-*ness *News*, and develop the

promising talent in its ranks, it could make a valuable place for itself, bringing classical ballet

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to take the risk first.



months with the Royal Green Jackets produced few splendours—but this was peacetime, and the only live bullets that flew were on the regiment's ingenious little sharpshooring range. In one sense, the film missed an important journalistic opportunity by not going into the vexed question of soldiers political views, but in another sense it fully vindicated itself: through numerous interviews it conveyed an enormous amount Met proves the power of a whale of an opera John Higgins

Es ist ein grosses Zauberstuck Voll Teufelslust und Liebe : von Meyerbeer ist die Musik, Der schlechte Text von

That referred to an earlier Meyerbeer opera, Robert, le Diable, but it is fairly apposite

John Dexter's answer to

John Dexter's answer to Scribe is to cut him down to size. The skeletal cathedral remains throughout the evening, a whalebone cage which can be seen as a symbol of religious captivity by those who have the inclination to do so. The changes of scene are suggested by means of nine movable trucks, as Dexter was discussing on this page the other

cussing on this page the other day. His designer, Peter Wex-ler, far from being daunted by

the size of the Met stage, has used every inch of it and added

in a few more by spreading the chorus round the orchestra pir. The cathedral itself stretches

high into the wings just as Fides and Jean finally reach out

Visually it is a majestic even-ing marred only by the closing moments when Dexter ducks the flames and symbolizes the collapse of the palace by having some streamers flutter down on

to the stage. But this is amply compensated for by the brilliant grouping of the chorus through-out the evening and the force-

fulness of the principal singers.

Marilyn Horne is at the centre of the evening because Fides, the role written for Pauline Viardot, is at the centre of the opera. Meyerbeer was much

attached to his mother and she

even more to him—Harold Schonberg in an introductory article in The New York Times, recalled another Heine crack

about Mrs Meyerbeer being

to the regions, Ben Stevenson's traditional production of The

Sleeping Beauty shows the com-pany to better advantage, I think, than his Nutcracker.

There are weaknesses; nobody should expect perfection from a

company that started only a few months ago, but the rotal effect is enjoyable.

Ebbelaar, who danced Aurora and the Prince on Tuesday, are

in a class on their own among the senior dancers. In England

the senior dancers. In England they have been known as highly skilled and individual interpreters of modern ballets. This production reveals them equally talented in the classics. In style and technique they are bright, sure and accomplished; more

important is the warmth of feeling they bring to their roles.

Alexandra Radius and Han

only the second woman in his-tory to see her son received as even though it was designed for divine. A good deal of that roller-skaters and not the Curry

ng they bring to their roles. pay its way economically, noth-The leading couple at the ing looks skimped.

to Le Prophète.

Scribe.

affection has gone into Fides, the faithful woman who sacri-fices everything for her son. Marilyn Horne presents a fan-

atical figure—Dexter's produc-tion is as much about fanatics as about religion—with a voice that trumpets out through the Met without a quaver of worry.

Met without a quaver of worry.

Jean de Leyden is a passive, even misty figure, motivated almost entirely by his dreams. James McCracken, with tones almost as large as those of Miss Horne, turned him into a loner obsessed with his own thoughts, except when he forces himself into the wild gaity of the last act brindisi. It says much for McCracken's stamina that in the final moments, which are among

McCracken's stamina that in the final moments, which are among the most stirring in a long opera, he sounded as though he could still take on another performance around the corner. Some of the critics attacked McCracken for using head notes, and he responded by pointing out that sections of Jean's music are scored "tres doux". The timbre to me sound altogether aut for Meyer-

sound altogether apt for Meyer-

The only disappointment in

matinée, Linda di Bona and

Robert Brassel, had less grandeur in the classical set

pieces, but enough confidence to get by. They were at their

best in the new duet which Stevenson has added to the

vision scene, extremely romantic in style, to the entracte music

which Ashton used for an awakening duet.

Like many companies, Inter-national obviously has diffi-culty casting the virtuoso Bluebird solo, and I find

Stevenson's conception of Galison as a mincing for tire-some. Peter Farmer's designs,

however, are attractive even if the minor characters tend to have better clothes to wear than

the principals. And, although one of the company's aims is to

beer's dreamer.

The Metropolitan Opera is fast evening performance of Le Pro-becoming a house of worship. phète, a duly double which Much of the week at the surely no other opera house hes The Metropolitan Opera is last becoming a house of worship. Much of the week at the moment is taken by the two new productions of the year, Meyerbeer's Le Prophère and Poulenc's Dialogues of the Car-melites, both of which have religion, albeit of very different varieties, at their core. On stage the skeleton of Münster Cathedral for Meyerbeer's opera gives .way to the illuminated cloisters and grilles of the convent at Complègne, where Poulenc's Saintes Dames live until the troops of the French people. the troops of the French revolu-tion drive them off to the scaf-

fold. On one recent Saturday it was even possible to see a matinée of Carmelites and an

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The Malvern Festival, at which

many of George Bernard Shaw's plays were mounted, will be

revived this year, starting on May 23, in the presence of the Duke of Gloucester, whose father opened the restored Winter Gardens in 1929. The

festival will continue until June

The festival, planned as an annual event, will be centred mainly on the works of Shaw and of Sir Edward Elgar, who was born and died in the district. The works of their contemporaries will also be featured. Shaw and Elgar were

tured. Shaw and Elgar were

The chief theatrical event will

be a new production of a Shaw play, and negotiations are in hand between the Festival Society, the Royal Shakespeare

form, was chancing his luck in this composer in his way more courting both. I enjoyed him warmly than the Dutch, and Mr most in Wagner. With purposeful, incisive economy of gesture in a performance unwarmly than the Dutch, and Mr Wayenberg kept that apprecia-tion alive in a performance un-Joan Chissell
The RPO was conducted on Tuesday by Elgar Howarth, at one time its principal trumpet, and later its chairman. As contemporary musicians know, he is no novice on the rostrum. But according to the programme book it was his debut with this orchestra at the Festival Hall, and he chose to make it in a programme divided between Brahms and Wagner.

Probably no two contemporaries had less in common than this pair, so in a way Mr Howarth on this exalted plat-

Malvern Festival to be revived and cast will be announced as soon as possible. Interspersed during the opening week, Donal Donnelly as Shaw will give performances of My Astonishing Self, by Michael Voysey, showing Shaw as a young man and in old age. Hubert Gregg will give an afternoon of readings drawn from Shaw's musical criticism and the correspondence between Shaw Shaw Shaw space not the Shaw ware not the soon as possible. Interspersed chamber music and to lesser-known chamber music and orchestral works. Leon Goossens will play the Oboe Sobioquy dedicated to him by Elgar; Robert Tear will give a recital of Elgar songs; a recital of Elgar organ works will be given on the organ of the Priory by Philip Ledger, director of music

Shaw's musical criticism and the correspondence between Shaw and Elgar on July 12.

The programmes of Elgar's music have been dictated partly by the size of the buildings available in Malvern. The Winter Gardens, where Elgar played the violin as a young man, does not lend itself to the larger choral or the larger symphonic works, and for this Elgar and Shaw were not the only famous figures connected with Malvern. Jermy Lind, the "Swedish Nightingale", lived in Malvern in retirement, and died there in 1887. In homage to her memory, the Swedish soprano Elisabeth Söderström will give a recital of songs made famous by Jenny Lind, of whom Mendelssohn wrote "I have not in my life met with such a noble, genuine, true artist as noble, genuine, true artist as Jenny Lind".

London will be able to hear the leading quartet in the CBS recording which is due for re-lease at Easter. Michel Plasson, the young French conductor making his debut at the Met, drew far more from the house orchestra a few days later at the opening of Carmelites. When I heard him in Paris just before Christmas he could do little with a scratch hand at the Opera Comique. The band at the Opera Comique. The Met was a different matter. He had an instinctive feel for Poulenc's score, where the aristocracy of the music constantly cuts off the invasions of servimentality. "Serein et cèleste" was one of the phrases Poulenc used to describe his work in a letter to Pierre Bernac. "Serein at céleste" summed up the sounds coming from the orchestra, whose play-ing suggested that they had had also recalled Poulenc's dedica-tion of the opera: "To Debussy, who inspired me to compose, and to Claudio Monteverdi, Giuseppe Verdi and Modeste Mussorgsky, who served as my models."

Renata Scotto sang spiritedly, but overacted as Berthe, the lady untidily grafted on to the sombre plot by Scribe to give the story a little mediocre love. Jerome Hines was a fiercely dominating Zacharie, the leader of Ansbaptists, a menacing Ping/Pang/Pong trio who raise only to destroy. He was well supported by Raimund Herincx in his Met debut.

The only disappointment in John Dexter and his designer, David Reppa, filled the stage with black so that the singers emerged from the darkness and re-entered it at the end as the irregular thuds signified the head of each Carmelite falling to the guillotine. Poulenc's handling of the close, as the Meyerbeer not only lives but has the power to stir the audience was the lightweight conducting of Henry Lewis. He chopped the greater part of the Act III ballet, which Ashton made famous as Les Patineurs, even though it was designed for novice Blanche pushes through the crowd to join her sisters, is totally draining in its quiet calculation, the reverse of, say. Giordano's—last bars before the scaffold in Andrea Chenier. For this scene alone Dexter filled the stage. Otherwise he kept it

almost bare except for the

through numerous interviews it conveyed an enormous amount of implicit information.

On one hand, the ranks, xenophobic, tender towards each other, hating upperclass yobs, appreciating the tact and competence of good officers. Resentful of bull ("we're fighting soldiers"), spoiling for action ("shooting people? It's what you're in the army for "), enjoying the theatricalities of mock battle training, delighted, and finally bored stiff, by the sybaritic pleasures of Cyprus—the riflemen were a fascinating realize the more sumptuous in proyer like somnolent brown tortoises, on a white cross of the coronation scene. The evening belonged to the singers, and lander will be obleved.

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The aim was surely to force the audience to concentrate on the music and the text of Georges Bernanos without any distraction. There is not much to work on: the Carmelites, cowled and wimpled, have only their faces to present to the audience. Some of these faces told all, particularly that of Maria Ewing as Blanche, the girl who wants to be a heroine and eventually succeeds. Miss Ewing's qualities were noted from Salzburg on this page last festival and she is clearly one of the most promising young singers in America. Her Blanche
—a role sung by Kiri te Kanswa at the London Opera Centre nearly 10 years ago is fearful, passionate, cowardly, self-seeking and devout by turns. A remarkable performance.

Régine Crespin, who was coached by Poulenc himself, took on for the first time the Prioress, whose own standards Prioress, whose own standards were those of the convent until her death towards the end of Act I. Mme Crespin in an interview remarked curtly that the role "was a good sing". And that is how it sounded in her firm English diction which put some of the rest of the cast to shame. Shirley Verrett and Mignon Dunn were sturdy enough as the nuns who take over the reins of the convent over the reins of the convent after the passing of the Prioress, but neither had Crespin's authority.

The Carmelites has its dull patches, all well concealed by director, singers and conductor, and its piety lies a little heavy on the ear. But the sensibility of Poulenc's music, simultaneously sensuous and refined wins the day.

That is too much for his long-

suffering girl who takes the next plane home leaving him to

cough his heart out in solirude.

The clean comic outline of

Joan of Arc Oxford Playhouse

William Mano

of as.

Verdi's seventh opera, Giovanno d'Arco, was produced last year at Wexford Festival, and 11 years ago by the Royal Academy of Music in London, but is seldom to be found in any opera house even in these pro-Verdi

It has been castigated regu-larly for its libretto which never explains why Jacques d'Arc decided that his daughter was n league with the Devil, or why she refused to stand up to his public accusations.

The clean comic outline of the piece is no preparation for the piece is no preparation for the rambling drolleries of The Accident, where the action shifts to a flashy Kensingson flat, run (we learn rather late in the play) on the profits of Marsha's hairdressing salon. The play opens with a garrulous debate on the state of the country between her smoothly business-suited husband and his lodger cousin, Ajax, a rag and bong merchant with dreams of conducting his compositions in the Albert Hall; A bad libretto never killed an opera with music of high quality, and Verdi never lets down his admirers. Of his operas, Giovanna &Arco is by no means the least effective. It is an excellent choice for Oxford University Opera Club, who are performing it this wreak in a performing it this week in a sensible and intelligible English translation by Rodney Blumer. The action is lively, the music compositions in the Albert Hall; not to mention hopes that recession will bring a boom in highly spirited, there is much for the chorus to sing and Michael Rennison shows that it can be staged effectively withthe rag and bone trade. The action, all of which comes as a out extravagance.

Mark Morris's unit set consists of two ramps and a stair-case, all looking like peanut butter mixed with Marmite, not very lovely, but versatile, it turns out, and quickly altered in an opera of six scenes with only one interval. The setting for Rheims Cathedral indeed looked handsome. Some details of physical staging, and of the lighting plot, could be ques-tioned but the show is worth going to, even if you do not live

in Oxford.
Young Verdi's blood-andsinew music is the chief attraction: it is conducted with unfailing energy of pulse and rhythm by Oxford's Heather Professor of Music, Denis Arnold (better known for his scholarship in the music of earlier centuries but clearly a musician who ies but clearly a musician who adores Verdi as well as Montewerd as wen as monte-verdi), played and sung robust-ly by the undergraduates in the orchestra pit and on stage (off-stage, too, though having heard the fisarmonica part played by a piano-accordion, we may agree with other commentators that a harmonium would be more suit-

Two of the subsidiary roles were sung on Tuesday night by undergraduates, Joan's father by Peter Reynolds, a local baritone long associated with the club a strong, rather nasal voice intelligently and passionately used. Joan was sung by Helen Walker, praised in these colunns during her student days, her soprano still slightly white at the top but an attractive, involved singer who excelled in her death scene, and gave much

musical pleasure earlier too.
The Dauphin was engagingly
portrayed by Mark Hamilton
(now with the Welsh National Opera), a vibrant, pleasing tenor with a strong stage personality still felt when he stood and deli-vered. The performance was well worth the journey.

Come Jubilee Bush

Irving Wardle

The Bush's salute to the past 25 glorious years consists of two short plays by T-Bone Wilson expressing the fervent hope that now Britain is on her uppers she may cease grinding the black man underfoot.

man underfoot.

Mr Wilson is the latest Caribbean writer to be launched, by Roland Rees (who also gave Mustapha Matura his first Lendon showing); and, like his predecessors, he is much concerned with patterns of black adaptation to English society. Servitude, bourgeois assimilation, and fantasy are the three alternatives explored here; though it is the extreme stylistic switch between the first play and the second that supplies the main contrast of the evening. main contrast of the evening. On Your Mark is a sad little

farce about a factory worker so devoted to his pie-packing job that a few days in bed with a cough are driving him insane with frustration. Dragging his girliriend out of the kitchen he starts dictating pompous managerial explanations to the foreman, and when news reaches him that that demi-god has also fallen ill he is out of the house in a flash, linctus forgotten, to attend the sick bed.

complete surprise, includes a road accident, a dead poodle, and Ajax's hobbling exit in one boot and top bar. It is impossible to dislike the play or its characters: and one thing that ensures that the couple are never going to make it into the middle classes is that they are so nice to a social non-starter like Ajax. My reservation about both plays and Mr Rees's actors (excepting the incisive Glenna Forster-Jones) is that, as so often in black waiting, they seek the comic route into painful situa-tions by simplifying their characters into children.

Take Hart BBC 1

Stanley Reynolds

Young, small or, if you will, little or tiny viewers of tele-vision are quite used by now to vision are quite used by now to grown-ups coming on and performing amazing feats with paper, glue, scissors, and rapidly moving fingers. Hardly a parent is alive who has not at least glimpsed in passing the smug show-off of children's teatime television producing marvellous, ingenious playthings and, indeed, even practical household items out of, pieces of old cardboard and yesterday's newspaper. The great pleasure of

paper. The great pleasure of such programmes, at least for parents, is seeing some young actress or actor obviously summoned at the last moment to substitute for the resident know-it-all, and who cannot actually make the devilishly simple artifice with a pair of scissors, some glue and yesterday's *Times*.

Mr Tony Hart, whose new series of cartoons and making things out of scraps of this and that, opened on Tuesday at

5.15 on BBC 1 and is called 5.15 on BBC 1 and is called Take Hart. An appalling pun, that title, but there is frustration dyed into the wool of it. If the smart alecks of previous cut-and-paste children's television were annoying, Mr Hart is designed to drive you insane. He is, as the old saying goes, too clever by half.

One sees in Radio Times that

One sees in Radio Times that viewers "aged 15 or under" are asked to send their paintings to Mr Hart, care of the BBC. A viewer who had anything like the skill of Mr Hart could not be very much under age 15. In fact, one would not really enjoy meeting a 15-ways. age 15. In fact, one would not really enjoy meeting a 15-year-old capable of imitating Tony Hart's arts and crafts. I wonder what age the programme is directed at. Tony Hart is an accomplished cartoonist, but Take Hart seems mainly captered on his gifts on adventment. centred on his gifts as a designer, and the visual tricks he plays with a dab of ink, a swish of a brush, and a snip of the scissors. I was reminded most of all of the introduction to BBC2's The Old Grey Whistle Test. Mr Hart's graphics are on a level with the extreme professionalism of that pro-

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Company, Eddie Kulukundis and the Arts Council. The play cello concertos, played by Yehudi Menuhin and Pierre

symphonic works, and for this

first festival prominence has

been given to the violin and

Football

United's door but are denied entry

point handsomely earned igainst a Manchester side on the twell of a sequence which has taken them through eight matches without setback is some measure of how far Liverpool have emerged from their indifferent spell. Indeed, the way they gave shape to events in the second half of last night's match at Old Trafford and the vigour with which they were rapping at Manchester's door at the end will have left more than a tinge of disappointment that United's brightest moments in an absorbing match came midway through the opening half, when Coppell and Nicholl moved forward in tandem to make room for manageness along the right. Twice manoeuvre along the right. Twice in the second period they punc-tuated Liverpool's orderly buildup with threatening touches from Pearson. But far too often they found themselves in the unrelent-

round themselves in the unrelenting grip of a team which knew its
business and set about carrying
it out with the utmost composure.
When Liverpool chose to steady
the tempo in the middle reaches,
Keegan and Callaghan selected
their passes, as well as their
moment, with perception; when
they elected to accelerate the pace,
the instrument used to probe for
the tender spots was primarily Heighway.

Heighway had a fine match, turning the defence on both fishis, creating two openings for colleagues, which were uncharacteristically spurned, and showed himself equipped to cut inside with that great speed and wide, ancing swerve to try a shot for himself. Indeed, he appeared the victim of a tackle deserving a penaity nward towards the end of the night; for a normally undemonstrative player, he left no one in doubt how strong he believed was the claim.

It was on the half-hour that Heighway gave the first hint of

the havoc he could cause, confounding United's right flank and leaving Case to offer a chance for Toshack, whose header was deflected over the top. But, with Liverpool in full flow in the second half, Heighway twice prised Manchester's defence wide open, first from the left, then from the right; Case mishir the first opportunity Case mishit the first opportunity and the ball looped wide; then Kennedy, running in at speed to meet an accurate cross, guided a firm header over the bar. Both were well defined chances,

Both were well defined chances, but the loudest sigh of Manchester relief went up a quarter of an hour from the end: Keegan drew red shirts to him like filings to a magnet, then slipped a pass to Heighway, whose low shot from 25 yards beat Stepney but struck the inside of a rost. United contributed to their own

United contributed to their own problems all too often by allowing themselves to be lured into offside positions. The wingers generally had a lean time of it with Neal and Jones quickly upon them, and that developed cohesion between Hughes and Thompson at the core of Liverpool's defence made the central approach a stony made the central approach a stony

Still, Pearson gave them a scare at opposite ends of the second half, first flicking Nicholl's cross just too high with a superb volley, executed at speed, then getting a touch to a shot by Brian Greenhoff to make Clemence reverse direction with desperate speed. In the event, the ball passed wide. But it was Hill, in the 19th minute who came cleened the 19th minute, who came closest to forcing a breach; as the ball was cleared from a corner, his shot found Neal positioned on the line to head clear.

MANCHESTER UNITED: A. Stepney, Nicholi, S. Houston: S. McDrov, B., reenholf, M. Buchan: S. Cappell, J. recuboff, S. Pearson, L. Matari, G. LIVERPOOL: R. Clomence: P. Neel, J. Jones: P. Thompson, R. Kennady, E. Hughes: K. Keegan, J. Case, Heighway, J. Toshack, J. Callaghan, Referee: P. Partridge (Durham).

Fluent Stoke stop their slithering in style and he allowed the defence time

By Gerald Richmond
Stoke City 2 Coventry City 0
Stoke City, who have faced harsh economic facts and sold Greenhoff, Hudson and Pejic this season, surprised their dwindling band of supporters by scoring two goals to beat Coventry City at the Victoria Ground last night, Stoke had not won since November and, as they have slithered uncomfortably down the First Division, goals have become an increasingly rare currency. For them to score rare currency. For them to score after 36 seconds was a gesture from the realms of fantay. Blyth, who may well have eyed Stoke's record of one goal in the Stoke's record of one goal in the previous nine games, was certainly not prepared for such a startling opening. Goodwin chased Bower's pass with admirable persistence. came back inside Coop, and centred for Conroy to glance the ball with his head into the far corner. Blyth, appearing faintly bemused at this abrupt turn of events, watched it bounce in gently. He was more alert when Goodwin again won the ball, this time saving a fierce shot from Salmons. The game was played at a furious pace and controlled moves were rare. The most successful players were those who could Jump over the maning coors while retaining control of the ball. Coventry tried to play neat football but frequently landed themselves in trouble and, until Dug-

selves in trouble and, until Dug-dale put Green clear with a long

to recover. to recover.

Conroy scored his second goal 12 minutes into the second half, converting a penalty after he had been brought down by Dugdale. A minute later, Dugdale was replaced, although as a tactical, rather than a punitive measure. Stoke, for once, had given Shilton something to defend. Since his expensive move from Leicester Shilton has not found the success which he was seeking, although he smitch has not found the success which he was seeking, although he remains as good as any goalkeeper in the country. He made two fine saves in the second half, turning aside a shot from McDonald after a penetrating pass by Hutchison and whisking the ball off Powell's

Stoke continued to be the more dangerous side, shots from Salmons and Suddick and a diving header from Tudor all passing narrowly wide. Able to relax with the insurance of goels, Stoke looked increasingly fluent, and Bowers had an excellent match at left back, often forcing the deceptive Hutchison to run is circles. On Hutchison to run in circles. On such young players are Stoke basing their hopes of future prosperity, although neither side can expect anything more rewarding than constraints.

STOKE CITY: P. Shiton: A. Dodd, Bowers, J. Mahoney, D. Smith, Bloor, J. Tedor. A. Suddick, Goodwis, T. Couroy, G. Salmons. Coventry City: J. Byth: M. Co. R. McDonald, T. Yorath, A. Dued tsub, I. Wallace, J. Holmes, J. Be





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Liverpool batter at | Eastoe earns Rangers a replay

Queen's Park Rangers 2 Aston VIIIa, attempting to reach their fifth Football League Cup final, must wait until Tuesday for final, most wait timal fuesday for another chance to overcome Queen's Park Rangers in a semi-final round replay that, if it is as dramatic as last night's at Villa Park, will be a final in itself. Rangers saved themselves with a goal from their substitute, Eastoe, six minutes from the end of extra time after Givens had missed a penalty.

penalty.
In the high level of excitement In the high level of excitement there was always a lot of snaping and snaring at heels. Clement was particularly irritable in his close marking of Little, bringing im down half a dozen times in the first half before the referee finally admonished him. Probably Mr Matthewson accommodated more than he should but this was always a full-blooded tie for high stakes and the reputations of both teams for considered football was disuissed in the heat of the moment. All of the wounded of both clubs were brought into action. Gray, the Villa centre forward,



Deehan: twice put his side within sight of Wembley.

Rangers were falling but slowly.

Parkes was finally beaten after 65 minutes when Phillips began a more thoughtful Villa move that used the clever running of Gray across the face of the Rangers' goal. When Little turned the ball across towards Gray, the Rangers defence more defence with him in anticipation. Gray was then in position to feed the ball on to Deehan who shot into the far corner.

Villa were probably deceived by their own success and though they continued to press forward in the hope of strengthening their position, they immediately became vulnerable to the powers of recovery that had so often come to rescue Rangers in these situations. So for all but the strong voiced Villa Park crowd it was not surprising that after 79 minutes Rangers came back.

The equalizer was a nigrure of

The resumption of the struggle brought no sign of capitulation by either side, but seven minutes into the extra period Villa finally and boldly stepped out towards Wembley when Gillard made an ungainly interception and from the free kick by Gidman, Dehan dived low for what seemed certain to be the winning goal and, in honesty, deserved to be so.

Suddenly, 22 minutes into extra time that apparent certainty dissolved. Francis was moving quickly into the penalty area when Phillips bludgeoned him down. The penalty decision deflated the crowd, yet their's was premature defeation for Givent's penalty was defeatism for Givens's penalty was deteatism for Givens's penalty was superbly pushed away by Burridge. Still more drama was to unfold when Gillard sent Rangers away in the hope of recompensing for that missed opportunity, and this time Eastove, a substitute for Hollins, drove in a powerful shot to force the replay at Highbury. ASTON VILLA: J. Burridge; J. Gid-man, J. Robron, L. Phillips, C. Nicholl, D. Mertimer, J. Dechan, B. Little, A. Gray, A. Gropley, F. Tarrodus.

before fog stops play

Nottingham Forest's second division game was abandoned because of fog after 46 minutes, with Southenpton leading 1—0. The players had been called off once in the first half and the referee waited a further 20 minutes before deciding there was no chance of finishing the game. Four players were booked.

Southampton took the lead through Holmes after only 26 seconds. They won a free kick straight from the kick-off and Ball centred for Holmes to square home. The players booked were Bowyer and Lloyd, of Forest, and Androszewski and Osgood, of

Chesterfield 8 Grimshy 1 Donovan, hit a 77th minute goal to snarch two vital points for Grimsby in this third division match and extend Chesterfield's match and extend Chesterfield's sequence without a win to 13 games. Donovan took a pass off Lewis before curling in an unstoppable 30-yard drive.

Chesterfield had a golden opportunity to put themselves back into the game when they were awarded a penalty after Darlington had been brought down but Smith's shot was saved by Wainman.

York 1 This game sparked into life with two goals in the last 20 minutes. Galvin, in the middle of a second mouth's loan from Hull, shot York in front after 70 minutes. Eight minutes later, the Reading defender, Bennett, moved up for a Duophy corner and scored the equaliser.

Four booked Yesterday's results and League tables

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RUGBY LEAGUE: First division:

Rugby Union

acclaim

revival

By Keith Macklin

Newcastle's

arrogant Manchester City, fought back to stagger City and inflame the crowd with two late goals.

The second was a lucky break for Newcastle, bitterly unfair to the

heweaste, bitery and the brilliant Corrigan. but richly deserved by Newcastle.

Before this late, but typical United orslaught, City had shown in their 17th game without defeat

that their championship challenge is based on the essential qualities of the diamond hardness allied to sudden sparkles of brilliance. In the first half the combination of durability, polish and sudden, unexpected flashes brought a 2—0 half-time lead and approprie con-

unexpected flashes brought a 2—0 half-time lead and apparent confirmation of their FA Cup victory at St James' Park.

Richard Dinnis, the player-power manager of Newcastle, had before the match criticized his team's opponents for excessively physical challenges in recent games and had accused City of behaving roughly when the pattern of matches did not run their way. Certainly feelings ran extremely high at the start of last night's game, with the St James' Park crowd vociferously objecting to some hard challenges on Barrowclough and McCaffery, the latter tackie getting a caution for Royle.

Royle.
Yet City demonstrated that
their game has skill and pedigree
in addition to the undounted
toughness which has removed their

tongmess which has removed their reputation as a soft touch away from home. In the magnificent Doyle and Watson they have men ready to dominate the commanding heights of the first division and in Tueart, Kidd and Royle they have forwards of deadly and instant effectiveness.

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These qualities brought City's two-goal lead in a dramatic and apparently demoralizing spell just before half-time. City had seemed content to absorb and repel Newcastle's attack, with the splendid Corrigan a tower of strength behind the central defence; he produced superb sayes from

produced superb saves from Gowling, Barrowclough and Kennedy, When City emerged from

Kennedy.

When City emerged from defence to strike, it was cobralike in its deadliness. First. Royle backheaded a free kick and Tuezrt slipped behind McCaffery and Nulty to lit a first-time shot past Mahoney. As Newcastle recited. City came again. Clements sent over a measured cross and

and weak goal kick straight to the feet of Newcastle's 19-year-old debutant, Mitchell, whose quick pass put Burns clear for his second goal and an equaliser greeted with uprostious delight. In the last minute came proof that divine intervention cannot always be guaranteed at New-

that diffine intervention cannot always be guaranteed at New-casile. If fairy tales come true, young Mitchell would have given United the victory after Doyle had, for once, displayed human error. Mitchell was clear with only Corrigan to beat: his inexperience showed as he snarched at his shot, put it wide of Corrigan and sank to the ground in self-disgust.

It was a memorable finish to a dramatic game which underlined

It was a memorable finish to a dramatic game which underlined City's undoubted challenge for the championship, and the United players' determination to prove that their support of Mr Dizmis is not merely a matter of off-the-field politics.

MEWCASTLE UNITED: M. Mahoney:
I. Nailvass, A. Konnedy, A. McCaffery, I. Nuity, T. Casaids, R. Blackhall B. Barrowclough, K. Mitchell, M. Burns, A. Gowling, M. Corrigant, M. Gowing, M. Corrigant, M. Comments, W. Domachle, M. Doyle, D. Walson, P. Powar, A. Hariford, G. Owen, B. Kind, J. Royle, D. Tuvart, Referee: T. L. Morris, Leeds:

impress after Cambridge's good performance at the same place last weekend. The Oxford-London University outlings in recent years have acquired the dubious title of "smash-and-grab" com-petitions complete the

Worshippers Irish bring McKin in for injured Deer

Seamus Deering has withdrawn from the Irish team to meet Scotland at Murrayfield on Satur-Scotland at Murrayheid on Saturday and he is replaced by Stewart
McKinney. Deering, the Garryowen flank forward, was hurt
while playing for his club last
Seturday and although he has had
intensive treatment on a thigh
muscle injury he failed a fitness
test last night. Manchester C 2 Since football is virtually a religion on Tyneside, supported with evangelistic fervour. St James' Park is a natural shrine for the redemption of lost causes. The faithful rose again last night to acclaim their beroes as New-castle. 2—0 down and apparently well beaten by a confident, almost

muscle injury he failed a fitness test last night.

McKinney of Dungamon, played against Wales and England this season but was dropped for Saturday's match to make way for the recall of Fergus. Slattery.

Charles Murtagh, of Portadown, will have to prove his fitness to the selectors this afternoon before the team leaves for Edinburgh. Murtagh has a back injury and if he is turfit he will miss winning his first cao. Hakin, who also played aganst Wales and England, would be his replagement. There are also doubts about Wilson, the full back, who has a knee injury.

be replaced by Bern French Rugby Unic yesterday.

The East Midland the Barbarians at No February 24 (3pm). injury and Cubitt at St Luke's Colleg The East Midla have named 12 have named 12 players in the side, two players from Trevor Harden, of I Paul Williams of Pe

likely chances spraubusy activities of V

who moved to full ba half when Wray we painful injury—a su ture of the elbow.

Preston's kicking brig a dull day at Dulwich

By Peter West Rugby Correspondent UAU 10

a light ball defeated the efforts of both teams to pass or catch it with consistent accuracy, at Dulwich College vesterday. The upshot, in the presence of a young and size-able audience, avid for a skilful exhibition, was therefore disappointing and two scratch sides were made to look distinctly scratch.

However, the University Athletic Union were better magether than

However, the University Athletic Union were better together than Public School Wanderers, who had a strong representation of London Welsh and Cambridge University in their ranks, and they won deservedly enough by a goal and a try to a penalty goal.

All the points were stored in the first half, although UAU certainly should have got a third try at the end when, in the best move of the contest, Staniland swept through the middle from the blind side wing and, having taken an inside pass from the centre, Wabson, put Preston clear through on inside pass from the centre, war-son, put Preston clear through on the right. But it was one of those days and Preston somehow managed to drop the ball as he was about to plunge over the line. The umpreenth chance had gone a-begging on a frustrating after-mont.

Bood.

Rowever, Preston, a big and powerful stand-off half, managed to kick the ball farther and more accurately than anybody else, including Bennett, who was opposed to him. Norkett's long service gave Preston the greater room for manoeuvre. manocuvre.
It would have been fitting if
Thornton, the Cambridge centre
who won a Blue as a freshman lest
December, could have crowned the
day with something spectacular on

Bryan plays the captai__ part in Navy's defeat

past Mahoney. As Newcastle recied, City came again. Clements sent over a measured cross and kidd, his eye on the ball from the moment of impact, beat Mahoney to the centre by inches. In the early minutes of the second half City's confident composure was such that there seemed no likelihood of a Newcastle revital. However, those with long memories of St James' Park thrillers could have anticipated the late and sensational burst. From a right-wing corner the City defence was caught in rare disarray and Burus forced the ball over the line, past Corrigan and two defenders. If this was unfortunate for the tall and hugely built goalkeeper, worse was to come. He was injured in a forious Newcastle sortie and after treatment got up visibly shaken. He placed a poor and weak goal kick straight to the feet of Newcastle's 19-year-old schutzay Michael and second control of the second schutzay. By Peter Marson
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to deliver a lecture,
got through. Now 0 a goal and two penalty goals to two tries and a penalty goal. Having agreed to disagree in the matter of substitutes, Oxford are to be applauded for the way in which their 14 men fought back against a battle-hardened adver-sary who, having gained the initi-ative, seemed poised to steam

sary who, having gained the initiative, seemed polsed to steam serenely to victory.

In the first half, with the University looking as colourless as their white shirts, Connolly's forwards moved irresistibly from one position of strength to another. That the University did not suffer irreparable damage was due mainly to the Navy's ineffectual finishing.

The Navy must have found this very irritating and after 20 minutes their discomfort was made greater when Bryan kicked an excellent penalty goal from a wide angle on the right on the 22 metre mark. The encouragement the Navy needed came in the dying moments before the break with a fine try by Whale. This had been the work of the Navy's forwards: a splendid thrust down the right flank, a ruck in front of the posts, a quick heel and smart passing gave the left wing oceans of room in which to pick his spot to score.

With Clements mowing to full back, Edwards having suffered a broken nose and retired, and Morrison to the wing, Oxford began again under considerable pressure. The first assault foundered when whale was felled by Clements's

narrow angle was to His kick was straight

Table tennis

Miss Knight to meet to seed in the first round

By Richard Streeton
Record entries from 509 table tennis players representing 66 countries made it an arduous eight bours for officials when the draw for the world championships, in for the world championships, in Birmingham next month, was made yesterday in London. An unhappy blow for the host country brought Carole Knight, aged 19, the English No 2 from Cleveland, up against the defending champion, Yung Sun Pak of North Korea, in the first round of the women's

singles.

This, however, was only one match to emerge from what was a mammoth international occasion. Like the Olympic Games, it remains doubtful whether Western countries will be able to continue to stage the championships, which in recent years have tended to be dominated by the Asians. Even the United States have already rejected the opportunity to organise the 1979 event.

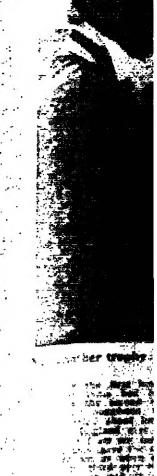
This year's tournament at the National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, runs from March 26 to April 5, and will be sponsored by the Norwich Union. It will cost over £600,000 to stage and will involve about 1,000 competitors and officials

A breakdown showed 299 entries for the men's singles, 197 for the

A breakown showed 259 entries for the men's singles, 197 for the women's singles, 147 pairs for men's doubles, 97 pairs for women's doubles and 186 pairs for mixed doubles. On most days 20 tables will be used for 14 hours of 100 tables and 199 Contends and of non-stop play, Guztemala and Malta, with two-man teams, are sending the smallest contingent, China with 22, the most. In table tennis the reigning champions are always made the who has twice beaten season, should not be his first two matel czochanski, of Poland of Egypt. In the d Donglas, a left-hander

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By Norman Fox Football Correspondent Aston Villa 2

clubs were brought into action.
Gray, the Villa centre forward,
was obviously not completely
recovered from his groin strain
but was quickly into action; so
too was Cropley, who had a
similar injury, and, for Rangers,
McLintock, who had a poisoned
toe, would have played in carpet
slippers in his attempt to reach
his sixth Wembley Cup final.
That was the spirit. Even
Rangers captain, Francis, returning for only his second game after
seven months away with a troublesome back, rosred into the action,
full of confidence and and surprisingly sharp as he often opened
the way for Bowles.

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prisingly sharp as he often opened the way for Bowles.

Under constant pressure in the first half, Rangers became defensively vulnerable to the speed of this always lively VIIIa team. Little released himself from Clement's rugged hand often enough to look the man most likely to penalize Rangers' uncertainty at the back, and McLintock had to fing himself scross the goal to keep Villa out as early as the tenth minute.

Villa's appetite for the fiery character of the game was marginally the greater and though they reached half time without scoring it was not for the want of effort. Parkes made a splendid, confident save from Dechan's powerful shot when it seemed that he would do well to do no more than push the ball away, but this was a night for special effort and the Rangers goalkeeper again saved on the line from Nicholl not long after the interval. Webb hurriedly cleared.

Nicholl was soon back to flick the ball over his shoulder and frac-

The equalizer was a picture of simplicity as Givens centred and sampletry as Given centred and francis nipped into the goal area to head his second goal in two matches. Now the game balanced uncertainty. Villa's earlier powers of fast counterattack relaxed slightly and it was Rangers who really forced the same into extra really forced the game into extra

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Today's fixtures TOUR MATCH: Chipstead v Old

Oxford have pedigree for carbon copy win By Jim Railton

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Oxford University Boat Club
yesterday announced their crew
for the Boat Race on March 19
(1.0). On paper it is an exceptional
line-up. Oxford, who will row in
a carbon boat with carbonreinforced oars for the first time,
will be hoping for a carbon copy
of their record-breaking win in
last year's race.

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The stroke seat goes to a freshman, Michelmore (Cambridge will also be stroked by a freshman), an Anstralian lightweight international and world gold and bronze medal winner. The American, Shealy, who stroked the United States eight to their world title in 1974, and to an Olympic final place in Montreal, anchors the engine room at six. The stern four is completed with Money-

Muirfield named

Muirfield, one of the oldest championship links, will be host

championsmip links, will be host to the Open Golf championship in three years' time. The Open was first held there in 1892, and on the last occasion, in 1972, Lee Trevino won- for the second successive year. The Open will run from July 16 to 19.

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Porthcawl, June 2 to 7; St
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St George's, Sandwich, Kent,
June 27 and 28; Seniors amateur,
championship, at Prestwick,
August 6 to 8.
Boyz' internationals, England v
Scotland and Wales v Ireland at
Formby, August 9. Britain and
Ireland v Europe at Pormby,
August 8; Boys' championship, at
Formby, August 11 to 15; Youth's
international, England v Scotland,
at Troon, August 19.

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1980 Open

Courts (five), a world junior silver medal winner and a member of the losing 1975 Oxford eight, and Wiggins (seven), another world junior medal winner and one of the three remaining Blues from last year's crew. last year's crew.

The other two 1976 Blues are the president, Mason, at four, and Beak, who will occupy the bow seat—the place he rowed in last year. Completing the bow section are Wright, a member of the 1974 and 1976 Isis crew, and the Canadian freshman, Moran, who won the stewards' at Henley last year in the British Columbia University and Vancouver Rowing Club four.

Sunday start proposed

to cut accident risk

There was one major accident. A rally car failed to take the cor-

A rany car raned to take the cor-rect turning because marker arrows had been obstructed by the crowds end hit a knot of spectators standing on an emergency slip road. Competitors reported count-less near misses and stages were cancelled because of the density of watchers.

Dean Delamont, the RAC Director of Motor Sport, who bears

Motor rallying

dark-blue eye, went from a boxing tournament at Oxford last year to gain election the same evening as president of the Oxford Union. The pedigree of the Oxford crew is exceptional, and that alone so far makes them favourites. It remains to be seen whether they can blend this all-star cast into a successful production. But for academic demands, Oxford could have called on the services again of three of last year's crew Baird, Edwards and Brown, another of the 1974 United States world champion eight. Vardey, among other Isis oarsmen, is unfortilitate to miss selection but versity and Vancouver Rowing fortunate to miss selection, but there is still time to press further Cloim Moynihan, who coxed Isis in 1975, will steer Oxford, Moynihan is a boxing Blue (bantamweight) who, complete with a University. They will be out to

take place during the week when the weekend day trippers are at

November 20 has been tentatively fixed with the first day endrely devoted to speed tests in the grounds of stately homes which can be controlled much more

of "smash-and-grab" competitions, complete with their attendant thuggeries. Oxford may not find only themselves being tested this weekend, but also their new carbon hoat. But Oxford, too, should welcome steering pressures to give Moynihan the necessary experience of Tideway coxing. EXPERIENCE OF THOWAY COXING.

OXFORD: "D. R. H. Beak (Hadley and Oriel" bow: P. S. T. Wright (Hamplon School and Oriel" M. N. Moran (Brillsh Columbia University and Keblet, "R. S. Mason (Eton and Keblet, "R. S. Mason (Eton and Keblet, "A. N. Monev-Coults (From and Keblet, "A. J. Wiggins and University! A. J. J. Wiggins (Market Market Ma

Boxing Manager wants Green's pay to

Andy Smith, manager of the

and Stracey is a former champion who was stopped last time out. His rating is no higher than Green's and his drawing ability a good deal less."

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The traditional Saturday morning start for the RAC Rally is likely to be discarded in favour of Sunday this year in order to minimize the risk of acidents to spectators. Last year the round-Britain event attracted over a million onlookers, some of whom proved uncontrollable as they streamed on to the narrow, twisting forestry roads which make up a large part of the competitive route.

There was one major accident. British and European light welterweight champion, Dave Green, said yesterday that there will be no bout between Green and John Stracey unless his man is paid the same rate for the job as the are aware or me inherent dangers of crowds of people milling around in dense woodland

The proposed change of starting date should help to reduce the numbers in the forests because the bulk of the rally will take place during the week when the weekend day tripners are at former world welterweight champion. The bout is at the discussion stage and could go on at Wembley, next month, if the arguments are

settled.
"We are more than willing to flight Stracey, any time and any place, but Green is entitled to his fair share, which is half", Mr Smith said. "Green is unbeaten champion of Britain and Europe and Greacos is a former champion.

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Yet another trophy: Greig receiving the D'Mello Cup for winning the series against India

three. In the first hour of the afternoon ludio had bowled 19 overs, in the second hour only 13, which suggested that they were worried about losing. How seriously England ever meant to try to win I am not sure. It may be that they gave the impression of doing so, as when Greig was out in the third over of the last 29, caught at mid-off attempting a big hit, to keep India at arm's length. It so it was a successful ploy. In the half-hour before the last 20 overs started India howled only eight overs, mostly to defensive fields.

To all intents and purposes

To all intents and purposes India had to make do without Chandrasekhar, because of a demaged hamstring. He came on in mid-afternoon, but Fletcher hit in mid-attention, but Fletcher hit three successive long hops for four, whereupon Chandrasekhar left the field. He returned later on, but only 10 overs of the match were left when he bowled his second over. He was a shadow of his best self. It was because of this that Ghavri was called into action when he was, to give Bedi a break, and it was Ghavri who nearly brought England down.

To the wickers of Pandell and

ision is final, and epied with a good en alling these past in a day as tense as of much seems to be it to the players and i, it is no easy thing ings in control, any is possible for the get all the answers id were desperately inish their tour, and Australia, on a losing were as determined the series were at they did not always ingland were 92 for is to the wickets of Randall and Greig he added Knott's, whom he bow'ed behind his legs, and finally Tolchard's and Lever's, though it was the last over of all by then and England were safe. Fletcher, burn near Worcester, and Tolchard, educated at Malvern, saw to it that England's win three matches to one, which was they did not always in the series were at they did not always.

for Fletcher, who had batted for three hours, and a message of good will from Bedi.

good will from Bedi.

Speaking to one or two of the Indian side on Tuesday evening I sensed then their fear that Bedi would be too afraid of losing the geme to give himself the best chance of winning it. Be could safely have declared this morning half an hour before he did. As the Indian wickets fell the not out botsmen began, after a while, to look towards the pavilion, hoping to see Bedi calling them in. Only once in the series have England scored more than 175 runs in a whole day, and the chances of their doing so now, in a good deal less than a day, with the ball turning as it was, were discounted by everyone, it seemed, except Bedi.

In the 75 minutes for which

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In the 75 minutes for which India batted England bowled only 12.4 overs, with Lever at one end and Underwood at the other. With the field far flung and England throwing themselves headlong around it it was like a one-day final at Lord's, except that the over rate was even worse than on those occasions. No one saved more runs than Tolchard, no one seemed more surprised than Ranscemed more surprised than Ran-dall himself when he dropped a akier in the covers off Underwood. Underwood, however, still managed to equal Trueman's record bag of 29 wickets in a series between England and India, by an Englishman, set up in 1952. That was when Trueman, as an unbroken colt, so put the wind up the Indians

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Today Underwood bad Kirmani caught at mid-on, off an awkward, towering hit (what hands Greig does have, for every kind of catch I), and then Ghavri caught at backward short leg.

The last two batsmen both fell to Lever who thus finished his first series with 26 wickets. By the first series with 20 withches, by the time England's second innings started there was only 35 minutes of the morning left; it needed only five of those though for the sparks to ctart in five

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Aggressive Beven keeps

Britain's hopes alive

Another aggressive performance from Rohun Beven, aged 19, a left-hander, was not enough to keep alive Britain's hopes in the BP under-21 tennis internationals at the Palace Hotel, Torquay, vesterday. They lost 1—2 to the keep alive Britain's hopes in the BP under-21 tennis internationals at the Palace Hotel, Torquay, yesterday. They lost 1—2 to the holders, United States. Beven attacked for almost two hours for a thrilling 7—5, 7—5 victory over Bruce Manson to level the tie, but he and Tony Lloyd lost 3—6, 4—6 in the doubles against Manson and Bill Maze.

Earlier Jeremy Dier, aged 16, had played himself to a standstill. He lost 7—6, 7—6 to Maze, an exceptionally strong Californian. He more than matched his opponent in skill, but lacked strength and stamina to clinch victory. He missed three set points in the first tie-break and another in the second.

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Beven began strongly, taking a 4—1 lead. Manson managed to change the pace to cot the gap. He hauled himself level from 2—5. saving a set point in the eighth game, but a double fault in the twelfth gave Beven his chance.

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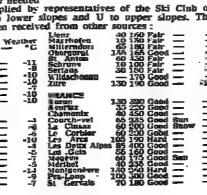
Beven looked home and dry as he served for the match at \$-3 in the second set, but a replayed point upset him sufficiently to let the American hit back. The incident came when Beven pur down a powerful service, which seemed to land on the centre service line. The umpire, Archibald Tyler, gave the point to Beven, but when Manson complained he had the polot replayed. Beven lost it and the

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Lanzarote's sights

Racing Correspondent

By Michael Phillips
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Lanzarone, a former champion hurdler, will definitely by to win the Gold Cup at Chelmenham next anouth. And he will definitely be ridden by the champion jockey, lohmy Francome, in the big race. That much became clear at Ascor yesterday after Lanzarote had won the Reynoldstown Novices Steeplechase by 25 lengths.

Asteed by his trainer Fred Winter to make a decision one way or the other, Lanzarote's owner, Lord Howard de Walden, said that his nine-year-old would go for the Gold Cup. And given the choice of riding Lanzarote or Pendil in the Gold Cup. And given the choice of riding Lanzarote without a moment's hestitation. Bob Davies has been asked to stand by in the wings to ride Pendil. If Lanzarote is victorious at Chelmenham he will become the first horse to have ever won the Champion Hurdle and the Gold Cup. It is certainly not emheard of for a novice to win the Gold Cup. It is certainly not emheard of for a novice to win the Gold Cup. It is certainly not emheard of for a novice to win the Gold Cup. It is certainly not emheard of for a novice to win the Gold Cup. Mont Tremblant was the case in point way back in 1952—and I am quite convinced that Lord Howard is right to grasp the nextle and take up the challenge for the Howard is right to grasp the nextle and take up the challenge this year.

He could have gone for a soft touch but opted for either the Sun Alliance Steeplechase or the Arkle Challenge Trophy but when you consider things this must surely be the year in which to have a go at landing the biggest carth of all. Captain Christy and Royal Frolic, two previous winners of the blue riband of steeplechasing, are both hors de combat while. Brown Lad, the favourite of so many Irishmen, has still to have a race this season. Lanzarote is anquestionably a horse of great ability and he is undentably strong to boot.

Yet he still tends to dive at his fences ling a manner that I for one find a trifle alarming and it is not difficult to visualize trouble in store at Cheltenh

nerday he was much too good for Never Rock.

Still on the Gold Cup front, 7-1 is now the best price available as far as Lanzarote is concerned. Winter said immediately after yesterday's race that Lanzarote is unlikely to run again before Cheltenham but when questioned about Pendil he added that he may well reappear at Windsor next Wednesday for the Fairlawne Steepiechase, especially if the ground is not too soft. That race could be one to put life back into the flagging spirit because yesterday the trainers of both Fort Devon and Border Incident told me that they also favour the Windsor race as a preliminary test before Cheltenham instead of the Jim Ford Challenge Cup at Wincamon a day later.

Lanzarote apart, yesterday be-

Jim Ford Challenge Cap at Wincanton a day later.

Lamarote apart, yesterday belonged to Fulke Walwyn who saddled his 1,700th winner when Chost Writer won the Whithread Trial Seeplechase. Earlier Walwyn had also won the Datchet Novices Hurdle with Midsummer Lad. Both his winners were ridden by Bill Smith whose strength and determination should never be underestimated. Yesterday Smith lost a stirrup for a second or two when Ghost Writer chanced his arm and made his only mistake jumping yet he never gave up the struggle. Eventually Ghost Writer managed to wear down Grangewood Girl and once he had done so he never looked like relinquishing his grip on this prize even though Brown Admiral did look dangerous for a moment between the last two fences.

Fred Rimell said that he was quite happy with the way that

quite happy with the way that Brown Admiral performed in his first race over three miles and he confirmed that he will be ridden in the Grand National by Sam Moorshead. However, Rimell has less good news of last year's Aintree hero Rag Trade who is lame and on the sidelines for the rest of this season.

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Remarkable double in Night Nurse will be on duty at Leopardstown

By Michael Seely

After having had the course at Leopardstown inspected yesterday morning. Peter Easterby has decided to send the champion burdler, Night Nurse, to Ireland to join Comedy of Errors in a dual English assault on the £10,000 Errin Foods Hardle on Saturday. "They tell me that the ground is not too bad", the Malton trainer told me, "and provided that there is no further deterioration in conditions Might Nurse will definitely run".

Night Nurse will be flown to Dublin from Teesside Airport this morning: Easterby and his jockey, Paddy Broderick, will follow on Saturday. After this development Ladbrokes make Night Nurse wifirm favourite at 5 to 4 on. They have extended Comedy of Errors' price from 11 to 4 to 6 to 1, on the same mark as Straight Row; they then go 10 to 1 Mwanadike and Prominent King. The fact that the champion burdler is a likely runner will come as welcome news both to the sponsors and to Leopardstown.

The forecast heavy going at

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Leonardstown.

The forecast heavy going at Southwell this afternoon has played havoc with the size of the fields in the handicaps. But as is now becoming the custom, both divisions of the Novices' Hurdle have had to be divided.

The Jockey Club's decision this year to allow no qualifying conditions to be laid down for these events is causing a great deal of concern to racecourse executives in the Midlands, where the brunt of this new ruling is being borne.

In the past these races could be confined to five-year-olds only, or to horses that had been placed at the time of closing, or indeed they could be made subject to any conditions that the clerks of the courses cared to impose in order conditions that the clerks of the courses cared to impose in order to limit the number of runners.

Commander John Ford, clerk of the course at Wolverhampton, Uttoxeter and Stratford-on-Avon, and Captain Nick Lees, who acts in the same capacity at Leicester, have submitted a paper to the Jockey Club pointing out the adverse effect that so many eight and nine-race programmes are

Jockey Club pointing out the adverse effect that so many eight and nine-race programmes are having on the going of their courses.

At Southwell part one of the second division of the Elm Tree Novices' Hurdle may be close between Aloha Prince and David Morley's Plumpton winner, Hot Hand. But Aloha Prince's narrow Doncaster conqueror, Crack O'Doon, was only just beaten carrying 12st 7lb in a handicap at Wolverhampton on Monday, and Aloha Prince may have the edge. Josh Gifford's Portman Square, who finished third to Psalve on his first appearance of the season at Towcester, may improve enough to win the first part of the first division. The consistent Sharny Syke may be good enough to take the Star and Garter Handicap Steeplechase. Coole Abbey, who was lying in third place when falling at the second fence from home in Sea Count's race at Teesside Park on Monday, may be the best of a moderate lot in the Bromley Arms Handicap.

Grand National first acceptors

1.30 ELM TREE HURDLE (Div I : Part II : Novices : £340 : 21m



Southwell programme

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5-2 Witches Broom, 4-1 Serbonno, 9-2 Maygo, 6-1 Deependum, 7-1 Great Lad, 8-1 Pinza Again, 20-1 others.

2.30 STAR AND GARTER STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £836:

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Easters Americas, S. Holland, 7-10-3

Good Relations, Mrs Oughton, 8-10-0

Sharmy Syke, W. Ciay, 9-10-0

Prince Reygard, J. Gifford, 7-10-0

Definitely, C. O'Nell, 9-10-0

Gin Firz, G. Vergette, 10-10-0

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3.0 BROMLEY ARMS STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £583:

13-8 Saragura, 7-3 Turk, 6-1 Trail Blacer, 7-1 Grecian Fighter, 12-1 Birdeage Walk, Primerello, 14-1 William the Rod, Goldburg, 16-1 others.

4.30 ELM TREE HURDLE (Div II : Part II : Novices : £340 : 2 m)

11-4 Woodflame, 9-2 Physicist, 5-2 Honoymoor, 7-1 Bowdingo, 8-1 Right Read, New Henry, 14-1 Beach Guard, Couteau, 20-1 others.

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By Our Racing Correspondent 1.45 Tinker Bov. 2.15 Mitter Tock, 2.45 Castell Memories, 2.15 RBONV ROCK is specially recommended, 3.45 Shuwaiman, 4.15 Loudly, 4.45 Blasta Blaze, 5.15 Rullahman.

Ascot results .30 (1.36) DATCHET HURDLE (Novices; C1.981; 2m)

Midsummer Lad, pr g, by Mid-summer Night II—Nargerets II (L. Thwailes: 6-11-6 W. Smith (100-30) 1 Sumhers ... J. Giover (20-1) 2 John Charry ALSO RAN: 13-2 Vallant Cherger (Jul.), 12-1 Crose Matrimordal, 20-1 Girandole, 28-1 Fortune Cookle, Sea Tycoon, Staredo, 33-1 Flying Dies, Groat Birnen, Persian Cavaller, 50-1 Allentic Expers, Bowrogues, Dunhowed, Emaigrey, Roctaulin, Manay G. Nig Cinderella, The Aristocrat, Apache Lady (b), Ciog Dance, Germin Mids, Goldenville, Great Brother, Nortun Place, Silent Twen, Sorama, 28 ran. TOTE: Win, 30p; places, 14p, 27p, 15p, F, Walnyn, er Lambourn, 14,

ALSO RAN: 7-2 Julian Swift (f).
-1 Supreme Halo, 10-1 Bolos Head,
1-1 Orishiums (4th), 55-1 Rajmataj. Tote: Wh, 19p; places, 13p, 61p, 28p; dual forecast, 52.92. A. S. Turuci, at Mariborough, 81, 21.
2.30 (2.53) FERMEANK MURDLE (22,043; 3m) (22,045; 5m)
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14-1 Psh Sarce to: 50-1 Figing
Prince (f). 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 14p; places, 15p, 17p;
dual forecast, 42p; P, Winter, 2t Lambourn, 25t, bad. Seffron Cake did
not run. 4.10 (4.13) Kilfanê Hurdle (Har-dicap: £1,379: 21-m) Rosbay, 5 g. by Canisbay—Ross

Southwell selections

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Ryball Grange. 3.30 Saragusa. 4.0 Hot Hand.

Lowis (M. Burrow), 8-10-2 car 10-7 , Ar C. King (16-1) 1 Lacese , Mr A. Walter (14-1) 2 Frederick John Mr C. Gray (12-1) 3 Frederick John Mr C. Gray 112-11 3

ALSO RAN: 5-1 law Bill the Black
[B1, 13-2 Memtreal Boy, B-1 Genovese,
[0-1 Dyscole, Lok. Yeo [17, 1]-1 Sweet
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Farkin, Bannaventa, Checky Charles,
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Way Mulardis, 39 ran. TOTE: Win. \$2.59; places, 75p, 55p, 25p, 25p, 8, Wisc, at Poiceate, 1, nk. Wichelle did not run

TOTE DOUBLE: Garllestown, Lanzarde, \$12.85. TREBLE: Tree Tangle, Ghost Writer, Rosbay, \$22.90. JACK-POTI: Not won, consultation dividend, \$194,35. Paid on first five less.

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with quick passes, earned a string
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the third of these awards, Austin
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lace on March 9. val. Willie attempting to store of the third of these awards, Austin was badly obstructed by a defender and, from the penalty stroke that followed, Austin himself put Exeter ahead again. They had every opportunity to build on this advantage but falled to do so.

From the 20th minute of the second half Loughborough held Exeter under considerable pressure, mainly through the sound play of their linkmen, and their persistence might have paid off but for the vigilance of the Exeter goalkeeper, who saved from Purshouse and Collier. Then, another short corner to Exeter sealed the match. A defender's foot near the line stopped a shot by Lauté and Austin again converted their penalty stroke to send the championas into the final.

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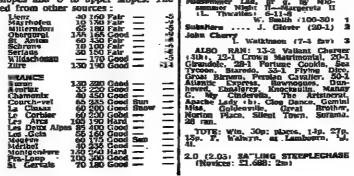
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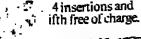
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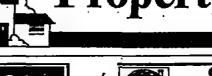
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# **Fashion from Israel**

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Prudence Glynn

# The six-point star treatment

I am opposed to roaring noises in my hotel bedroom. Whether they emanate from escaped circus acts in the corridor. trucks outside, aeroplanes above, or shouters and snorers next door, I feign or experience nuits blanches and send for the management. So why is it that when the sounds are made by nature, not man, I find them entirely delightful and most soporific? Day and night the waves pounded up the beach ourside my Hilton balcony. Daily I felt more alert, nightly more relaxed. I suppose it is just human nature, or maybe moving house.

But then I remember feeling remarkably well the last time I came to Israel, six years ago, and if I felt even better last week it may have something to do with the extraordinary progress the country has made with its textile industry in the directions I feel are right. The contribution made by Jewish people to the fashion industry all over the world is a fact of history; on my earlier visit my concern was to see whether this same people could generate enough creative individuality and authority in style when extrapolated from the heady environment of New York, or Paris, or London, or Italy, and produce something in the vacuum of their own state which would make their fashion fairs an essential for the buyers' overcrowded schedules. No new industry should be pegged to price alone in an increasingly sophisticated and discriminating market; nor should it expect to survive on emotional or politic cally supportive orders.

Six years ago there seemed to me to be two distinct but converging streams which Israel should be following in her textile/fashion trail. The first was a solid, quality orientated, price conscious (but not overwhelmingly so) efficient mass market production side which would take the fullest advantage of Israel's greatest skills, her superb technical far sightedness and immediate prowess. The second was the development of a strong individuality in styling, which not only gives fun to the shows and separates the magic of fashion from the sheer machinery, but which also appeared to me to be well within the gresp of a people so highly individualistic. Copying, by its very nature, is siways going to be able to be done cheaply by someone else without the social commitments and long-term investment which a modern country must have. There is always a temptation to build a textile industry on the past, if for no better reason than that the fabrication of clothes and cloth go back so the fig leaf. (One of the few credits Freud gave to women was the invention of knitting and weaving, shough his motives were, as always,

poisonously enti-feminist.) Bringing an antique industry into the twenty-first century may now prove to be Israel's contribution to an aspect of our day to day life which is to my mind a crucial reflection of society. It is certainly e crucial aspect of larael's economic survival. Her fashion and textile houses now export to more than thirty countries, and in the case of such justly femous firms as Gottex who make swimwear, and Beged-Or, unsurpassed for leathers and suedes, to even more. West Germany is the to even more. West Germany is the number one customer now, which says plenty for both Israeli efficiency and style since the Germans have plenty of efficiency at home. The loyal old United States ranks second, then comes Britain, Holland, and France. The major buying power from the United Kingdom is Marks and Spencer, and so far as I could see from the lists, from the Benelux, C and A, again a good indication that Israel can hit a combination of trend and price-plusquality. The EEC is the big new market, with import duties falling to zero in July of this year. of this year.

It is of course essential that she should Exports, founded on the maximization of her manual skills and technological power, are the life blood of a country power, are the life blood of a country with massive commitments to security, welfare and aid from abroad. Imports are highly taxed (I personally see this as a hopeful sign in design areas) exports vital in the battle for a better, indeed a continuing life. The temptation must always be to play safe, become a sound resource, but in the fashion world that safety is short bought; even if figures do run to the billion mark and the industry ranks only behind diamond polishing and ranks only behind diamond polishing and citrus fruit handling in importance.

The rheme of last week's Israeli fashion manifestation was very much that quality means quantity, a caption dear to the heart of Izmar Glasman of Marks and Spencer, who among a devoted band from that company must rank as one of the most sensible and staunch protagonists of both British and Israeli interests. I do hope he has studied the map of Tel hope he was studied the map of 181 Aviv, because the street names might encourage him. Alkenby rubs shoulders with Melchett, King George V with Rothschild, Balfour, of the Balfour Declaration of 1917, with Ben Gurion, the lioncub. General Gordon nudges Chen Boulevard, but I am too ignorant to know about Chen.

about Chen.

Not that there are no critics of the system. One agent I spoke to who had worked in New York found the efficiency. worked in New York found the efficiency, speed and quality control of the majority of firms definitely lacking. One of the most distinguished British wholesale manufacturers deplored the need to oversee everything made, samples quite different from delivery, and willingness to try more complicated details less good than in the Far East. "Pd like to practise what I preach, and have a factory out here", said one dedicated supporter of here", said one dedicated supporter of the state, "but would I have to spend all while out here having to check it out?"
Where does all this commercial talk leave style, that second essential to a properly broad-based fashion industry in any country? In Israel the future of style resides with the Shenkar College of Fashion and Clothing Technology which has both advantages and disadvantages vis a vis its vastly different English counter-parts. First, it is the only fashion college



le, minimum treated, leather. Honey coloured, the skirt is suede, the blouson leather with suede patches. Beged-Or clothes are widely available in this country.



Another famous Israeli house which combines consistent quality with undated elegance is Aled. This evening dress is in Camembert coloured jersey discreetly trimmed with a muted gold edging.



A house with considerable imagination and flair is Gabi Models. Their colours and prints for knitwear are strong, and the proportions of the ultra narrow pants and the bloused tops is right.

of inter-polytechnic rivalry. Second, it is closely supported by the industry on a levy basis, and by the state, so that it is much more accountable to immediate in-terests and needs. Third, students have to pay to go there. Fourth, the bias towards training for the home trade as it is and the formality of the courses are considerably different to those in England, indeed, they are more analogous to those of the Fashion Institute in New York.

Two important steps have been or are about to be taken. The first is the instigation of a new course offering a degree, not just a diploma, ie, adding a BA Hons equivalent to an existing vocational course. The second is the consideration of amalgamating the fashion and textile courses under one head. Every reader of this page knows how passionately I believe in this.

The advantages that Shenkar has are in its direct dealings with industry, with its formal training in all sorts of aspects of fashion—not just making pretty pictures—but management and styling, and merchandizing, too, and cutting and grading and selling.

Its disadvantages I feel are too close a link with the industry, which whilst it inculcates a real knowledge of current needs alas so often lacking in our own art college products—tends to militate against radical innovation and that sconcelism which is the lifeblood of creativity. Cer-tainly, Israeli students get into industry. which is more than many of them do here, parts. First, it is the only fashion college but is it not too cosy or too predetermined in the country, so there are no possibilities a relationship? Then the formality of the

training. Remember that Israeli students when they arrive have done their army stint (three years for boys, two for girls) and so are both more mature, but more set in their ways. Also, they come from the property of the state no foundation courses, such as we have in this country, but must be assessed for merit and intake on sheer immediacy.

The authorities of Shenkar admit that it is hard to fill the whole course with brillians students but then, so it is in Britain. If there is a lack of competition in Israel, then there is I think too much overlap here; and if students are not always so able in a particular year there, they are not hairs maid for by the rate. aways so asie in a particular year there, they are not being paid for by the rate-payer to support a mandatory number.... If Shenkar seems to me to miss out on quality of presentation and ideas when compared with, say, a superb polytechnic department such as Liverpool, which I have just visited, then in terms of hard agreed business methods and agrees of nosed business methods and a grasp of technological knowledge which our own industry finds all too often missing in our own doubtless creative, but all too un-cost conscious students, they must gain.

So far in their textile industry the So far in their textule industry the Israelis have barnessed technological superiority with growing success; their flight path as a quality, trend-confirming resource must be secure. There is more wing-stretching to be done on the individuality side and I would like to see the promotion of more named designer. After all, the essence of economic survival in Israel is the maximization of natural talents, and they are nothing if not individualists even though by tradition they have tended to be mass market reproducers in fashion.

# Making Whitehall a happier hunting ground for foreign correspondents

There are signs that the Government in general and Whitehall in particular are making an effort to be friendlier and more helpful than previously to the correspondents accredited in London. This is partly because about 18 months ago some British embassies on the Continent began to send out alarm signals about the appalling press that Britain was getting locally.

They suggested that perhaps more fuss should be made of correspondents London. This was probably a bit naive, since no number of officially proffered gin and tonics or friendly briefings foreign correspondents of one of their main influences; the British press, which was not exactly giving the Government a daily round of applause.

Nevertheless it was a useful prod in the then still somewhat insular ribs of Whitehall.

The fact that London rates well below Bonn and Washing above Paris-as an open copital for foreign newspapermen is not wholly Whitehall's fault. It is a vastly larger and more dispersed city. Many foreign correspondents work from farflung homes in the subucbs. It is hard to summon a quick press conference—in Bonn they simply ring a bell in the main press centre. There is no central meeting place where a large number of correspondents can be contacted.

## Leaks and irritations

In addition, London is the centre of a uniquely strong national press, whose highly specialized interests have long dominated the attention of poli-British version of parliamentury ment is told of major decisions before the press, where pos-sible. Glosses and leaks from Westminster are reserved for the ear of British political correspondents grouped in the lobby", and are reported unattributably, to the irritation of foreign correspondents.

Both geography and the system are thus tipped against the resident foreign correspondent. A random sample of some two dozen Western members of the Foreign Press Association in London suggests that these factors are in their minds aggravated by excessive official secrecy, or even downlight un-

This was well put by Erkki Arni, who has worked here for 26 years and is now corres-pondent for the Finnish newspaper Heisingen Sanomat, who said: "The general secretiveness is slightly more pro-nounced when dealing with foreign correspondents, I think. I am sometimes treated as an imbecile by the spokesmen of are some garrulous foreign cor-respondents around, this is a bit irritating, and makes one rather reluctant to seek advice."

Peter Kumpa, of the respected Baltimore Sun, said: "I find when I cover other countries, like Scandinavia, things are much easier. The atmosphere of secrecy here is, I find, extraordinary".

Herbert Westermann, cor-respondent of ZDF television West Germany, was formerly in Washington, where he found people more cooperative. Three rimes he tried to get an interview with Mrs Thatcher, in vain. He asked Mr Benn for an interview when doing a proeven acknowledged. When he met Mrs Shirley Williams at a press reception, she urged him to call and fix a meeting. He did, but her office never called

Jean Wetz, Le Monde's correspondent has been here off and on for 17 years. He is now getting more skilled at interpreting such guidance as "I wouldn't encourage you to follow that hine". He found it strange after the full frontal exposure normal in Bonn, his previous post.

Some veterans, like Daniel Norman of Le Figaro, have nothing but praise, and most correspondents found the Foreign Office—despite and most correspondents was discountain was fine to the control of discountain was fine to the control of the contro Foreign Office—despite an excess of diplomatic waffle—generally helpful in its attitude, and the Central Office of Information, which arranges trips and circulates documents,

consistently so. There was also a general welcome for the change at No 10 Downing Street since Mr Tom McCaffrey came over with Mr Callaghan from the Foreign Office to succeed Mr Joseph Haines. Mr Haines's lack of interest in foreign newspapers and their London representa-tives was widely held to be

Various briefings of greater or lesser regularity, which faltered or ceased in Mr Wilson's day, have now been restored, and one of the Foreign Office news department's best men has joined the Downing

The Foreign Office continues to be the main port of call for foreign correspondents and their many problems. But in the last 18 months it has instigated a system whereby all home de-partments in Whitehall have can we be quite sure that Britain would have behaved colone information officer ear-marked as responsible for liaison with the foreign press. So let us not affect indifference It is hoped that this will stimulate interest on both sides of

## Sensitive to opinion

There have doubtless been deficiencies on the part of foreign correspondents. Some have perhaps been too easily discouraged. Others have failed to rally around when a good briefing has been laid on. They should now take heart. The Covernment as well as the opinion abroad. Auxlets shout Britain's credit-worthiness has been one factor, EEC membership another and stronger

Most ministers and departments are now involved in Brussels business in one way or another. There may be no immediate votes in foreign correspondents in London. But what they write does influence those Continental officials and ministers with whom Britons are increasingly involved, and this fact has now sunk home.

Roger Berthoud

Ronald Butt

# Sir Harold v 'Joe': is it really a question of a wrong kind of loyalty?

Well, she was out of the ordinary. But like the rest of of the Prime Minister, because he was Prime Minister." least with these words from Mr Party whose attitudes had been in Downing Street under Sir consolidated under Wilson, and Harold Wilson and Lady Fal if we consider the appalling sible quarrel It is only because followed, we are surely driven Sir Harold was Prime Minister, to only one conclusion. It is and because Mr Haines and Lady Falkender served him, that their conduct then and have any public significance.

On Tuesday night, Sir Harold Wilson acknowledged the legiti-macy of this interest by answering questions on television. He did so in revealing terms which focused the mind on what the trouble is all about. It is certainly not about the politically fatuous view of the malign influence of the Civil Service on Labour policies which Lady Falkender shared with Mr

The real importance of the book lies in what it reveals about the personalities and abour the personalities and backbiring around Sir Harold Wilson when he was Prime Minister. You may well ask why it should be that the news-papers are filling yards of space with all this triviality when the country faces such a grave crisis as it still does. You may shake your head in contempruous disapproval, or you may comfort yourself, as I am sometimes tempted to do, with the thought that perhaps, in the end, Sir Harold's greatest service to Eng-land may be that he and his entourage made us laugh as the national ship went down. But that won't do either.

The true justification for the public interest is, of course, that politics are largely made by personalities and that personali-ties therefore matter. If Charles I, James II and Czar Nicholes had been different people, it is at least conceivable that three revolutions would not have happened as they did. If Winston Churchill had not been Prime Minister

ticularly in this case. If we recall the hopes of that false dawn in 1964, with the arrival in power of a Labour Haines's book about life modernized under Gaitskell and national disappointment that that the chief responsibility for that failure must be ascribed to the people in charge, at the head of them the then Prime

Minister.

to personalities in politics,

Watching and hearing Sir Harold Wilson on the Haines-Falkender affair was one of the most extraordinary and illuminating experiences of my political life. Here was the former Prime Minister of Great Britain appearing on television to defend himself against charges (for the charges against Lady Falkender and the counter-charges against Mr Haines were really charges against Sir Harold Wilson) of a truly amazing sort a truly amazing sort.

The manner he assumed was calculatingly bland, but it was the blandness assumed to turn away the wrath that cannot be truly confronted. He avoided anger; yet how could any human being not be angry at disloyalty such as Sir Harold has suffered from comeons who has suffered from someone who would be nothing without the former Prime Minister's prefer-

Throughout the interview, Sir Harold talked as though in sorrow than anger "Joe" as of an old familiar, and of Lady Falkender as "she": her actual name was not mentioned more than about though it was unnecessary. It would not. I suppose, be surprising for a Prime Minister's servant to be interviewed about performance of the Prime Minister. But how extraordinary for an ex-Prime Minister

subordinates. Sir Harold insisted that she had no responsibility for government policy." Hers was a "party and political job." main question. "I spent most should it need saying? He also of my time", he said, "rightly or wrongly" (rightly or

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the charge that Lady Falkender's unpredictable had demoralized him. "I think on the

Young show she said she did sometimes blow up." On the fimmy Young show? Is this the place where revelations of the inside working of politics, which so salemnly preoccupy the political scientists, are to be made and then followed up by the former Prime Minister himself?

On the question of baving a temper, Sir Harold went on: "But so, may I say, did Joe. I mean, if the headline of the book is "tantrums", I mean, I had them from more than one side." That is certainly a one side." That is certainly a classic Wilson statement: saying, yet not quite saying that "Joe" had tantrums. Later. Sir Harold asserted that it was Mr Haines, not Lady Falkender, who had tried to exert policy decisions.

But if Mr Haines had tantrums, and tried to influence government policy beyond what s appropriate for a press official, why did the Prime Minister put up with it?
Tantrums? Directed at the
Prime Minister by his paid
servant? Sir Harold then went "But some of the people who are bearing false witness are people of very strange back-grounds. . ." Then be hurried on after the kind of sside which is characteristic, leaving an im-

precise impression which doesn't have to be filled out. Who were these people of very strange backgrounds "? Were they hired by him?

vants, with the Secretary of the Cabinet, with the private office, the official private office. . . ." Now who could suppose that a Prime Minister could have con-ducted his business in any other way? Nor is the fact that Sir Harold did so of the least relevance to the Haines-Falkender business.

It is perfectly possible to spend hours in conference and then make up one's mind privately, alone or not alone. A man can be influenced by the company he keeps in his private, as well as in his public Mr Haines tells us that after

the 1976 election, when the Prime Minister and his wife had were to be daily discussion lunches there with the Prime Minister. Lady Falkender, Mr Bernard Donaghue. Mr Albert (now Lord) Murray and Mr Haines and a guest of honour, "people like Ron Hayward and other senior staff from Trans-port House," The lunches apparently collapsed when the lady withdrew from them, followed

by the Prime Minister. But the question remains: could the PM not have a lunch like this without Lady Falkender? Above all, was this really the regular company a Prime Minister should be keeping? Shouldn't a Prime Minister, if not lunching at home, lunch with his senior colleagues or with his friends? You may say: but these were his friends. Ah, yes. That is the point.

The Cabinet was hardly mentioned throughout this astonishing interview except in the context of Sir Harold's asser-

eeping a Cabinet together for eight years ("which I did", he repeated with some triumph). To the question whom he took

advice from, Sir Harold answered that he took it from wise people in the Civil Service. "sometimes from Joe", certainly from the think-tank. Cabinet colleagues did not, it spring to his mind when he answered this question and here we come to the crunch of the matter. Sir Harold has always had

disinclination to lean confidently on his natural counsellors, and that has always been a faral flaw in kings and poliricians. Of course, former Prime Ministers have had their personal political friends with whom they could unwind. But is it to be supposed that Lord Egremont, Mr Macmillan's friend and unpaid private secre-tary, threw tantrums before the Prime Minister or that Mr Heath's personal aides, whose relationship was essentially discipular, supportive and upward-looking, would have dared be-

have in this way?
Two senior Labour parliamentarians, one of whom had held Cabinet office, and neither of whom had really approved of Sir Harold's record, agreed to-gether when talking to me the other day about one thing: the very real loyalty he has often given other people has seldom been truly reciprocated. And, indeed, almost the only grouse Sir Harold uttered in his Tuesday interview was that loyalty to "Joe" had stopped him from moving Mr Haines when senior ministers came to tell him he should because Mr Haines was doing the job badly. was, of course, loyalty to

Mr Haines that stopped him, but loyalty of the wrong sort -the loyalty to small depen-dants rather than to senior colleagues and natural counsellors.

It is the tale of Bushy, Basor and Green all over again, except that, unlike Richard of Bordeaux, Sir Harold Wilson survived to go of his own accord. Sir Harold was indeed remarkably loyal to those who served him in relatively lowly

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# Ray Buckton: break this straitjacket of wage cont wages policy in a constructive manner, making adjustments to the wages and salaries scales to may be interpreted i

Wage bargaining, by its very nature, is usually a private affair, but the current debate about incomes policy and the social contract has prompted Mr Ray Buckton, the train drivers' leader, to make public the pay submission he put to the British Railways Board yesterday. It amounts to the most articulate criticism of wage controls so far made by a member of the TUC general council, and, as he makes clear, Mr Buckton feels he is articulating a growing rank and file protest. Here we reproduce extracts from his arguments.

public has grown more sensitive | reports I am receiving from all resolutions adopted at branch meetings, reports from my society's district officers, statements made at meetings of district councils and from numerous letters to my head office, not only officially through branches, but by individual members, that there is great concern about pay policy.

It is significant that in recent times, there has been a growing unrest among skilled workers because of the serious erosion which has taken place in both their standard and relative positions.

cry have been electrical power workers, skilled employees in the car industry, the electri-cians, scientific and managerial staff and other groups, like miners, upon which the country is so dependent

There is a growing realiza-tion that the responsibility and skills of particular groups are being insufficiently rewarded

There is no doubt that from and this is true not only among industrial and manual workers ment who firmly believe that their wages or salaries in no way compensate for their compensate for sponsibilities. I quote here from a paper

sent to me by my district officer in Scotland which is typical of comments from other rts of the country: There is no question of

doubt that throughout Scotland discontent is higher than I have ever experienced since coming here and I believe it to be the worst that I have experienced in my trade union work over the last 38 years.
"The conditions under which my members have to work in every part of Scotland are deplorable, deteriorating each year and during this winter it has been absolutely impos-sible to visit any depot or place of work without criticism being expressed." Against a background of



Ray Buckton: great concern about pay policy.

and rates the wages position has in no way helped and there has been a considerable reduction in living stan dards."

Flat rate increases paid as supplements have created a climate of discontent and with

the decline in incentives there is a reluctance to go forward and accept more responsible work producing an atmosphere of cynicism which I have not known for very many years. There is absolutely no doubt that unless rallway management

on its merits. But discussions and negotiations are now taking place with

contract. My society has always opposed restrictions on pay negotiations and totally rejects any interference with free collective bargaining. So we will be doing all that we can within the democratic processes to see that the trade union movement frees itself of the shackles of

on the Government inflation, but I befirmly believed that... compensate for what has hap-pened since the autumn of 1974, then the railway industry will comes policy does 'either side of the ir be faced with far worse prob-lems than those of the early this country.

So what I am now seeking who suffer but als-from the British Railway Board ment; by the frost is an offer to increase the rates by such amounts that would restore my members' living standards to that following the agreement concluded in the autumn of 1974, and for all supplements to be included in the basic rates of pay so as to and release us from rapk for enhancements.

It may be that the railway management will consider themselves bound by the social contract, and if an offer is made along those lines, then it I give notice that if will be necessary for my executive committee to examine it

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## Marabel Morgan sat demurely in an ancient City livery half yesterday and described how her marriage to Charlie had perked up no end since she decided to become a Total Woman. Charlie sat in the background and let her do most

who invented a cure for tired marriages when she found her own becoming dull and tired, and then marketed the formula through a book which sold three million copies, and a chain of schools which teach dreary wives how to become exciting again, thus making herself not only exciting but rich. Her first book, The Total

Woman, is shortly to be followed by Total Joy, another volume packed full of anathema for women's liberationists. Mrs Morgan, who is in London as a guest of the Christian Booksellers' Convention, believes that wives should be unashamedly submissive, and that they can recapture a bored husband by ringing him up at the office and whispering: "I crave your body ".

One woman who took the Morgan course at a Southern Baptist church in Carter country welcomed her husband home wearing only mesh stockings, high heels and an apron. The astonished husband, according to Mrs Morgan, took one look and shouted: "Praise the

Mrs Morgan, under interrogation from The Sun reporter, admitted: "When I got married at first, I thought we were going to have the greatest marriage ever; Charlie was so romantic and so talkative. But after a few months I realized he was not taking me in his arms any more; he was going straight to the television."

Pressed further by The Sun, she said: "I did not realize that she said: "I did not realize that mesh stockings and apron I had cut off communication by often as she used to do.

# The Times Diary

How to make marriage tingle again

my nagging. After six years of cold war, I decided that I could not change him; I could only change myself." Charlie, a lawyer, who had been taking notes and fiddling with a camera, broke in to say that The Sun had recently juxtaposed a story about his wife and a photograph of the Nude Miss World, causing possible confusion, and that ing possible confusion, and that the paper's adaptation of The one word written by his wife.

Mrs Morgan, whose first book packed with helpful hints, like suggesting the wife get out of bed and applaud after lovemaking, takes her theories further in her new work, and has developed the Four A's programme for happiness: accept, admire, adapt, appreciate -all of which can be learnt at her courses in the United States for only \$15.

Among those who have taken the courses, although there is no record of their subsequent success, are the singer Anita Bryant and the wives of the entire Miami Dolphins football am not anti-women's

lib", said Mrs Morgan, who is

38 and the mother of two daughters. "I am pro-happiness in marriage. I could go to the top of any career, but still go home and be a total woman." Her counselling business has grown so much, and so many unhappy wives write to her for advice, that she had to admit that she does not have time to greet Charlie at the door in

Readers adamantly refuse to be put off my idea that theatre restaurants might suit their menus to the plays being pre-sented. Even the challenge the gory Titus Andronicus would present to any restaurant's repertoire could be satisfactorily met, it is now suggested, with a dish known as Boiled Baby's Head. It is, I am told, an individual steak and kidney pudding in a suet crust, and with a couple of mushrooms strategically placed as cyes could prove both convincing and delicious. Pardon me.

# Don't knows

The Soho Clarion caused candidates in next Thursday's by-election in the City of London and Westminster, South some embarrassment by grilling them about their knowledge of activities in the area it serves. Their very first question was how many prostitutes there were in Soho, and unsurprisingly all four candidates answering the questions disclaimed all know-

Indeed Stephen Fry, who edits the Clarion for the local residents' association, concluded that: "The candidates knew next to nothing about

The unfortunate candidates faced 50 questions, and among the other things they did not know, or could only guess at, were the numbers of restaurants, strip-clubs, policemen and people in the area. Fry thinks the answers to other questions

also showed that the candidates were not likely to do much to help clear pornographic book-shops, strip clubs and souna parlours from Soho.

But he welcomed the "neat refreshing" answers given by Peter Mitchell, the candidate of the Campaign for Homo-sexual Civil Rights, who said strip clubs did not interest him, and remarked that the concentration of prostitution and por-nography in Soho was not very convenient for people living in other parts of the country. The Liberal earned good

marks by speaking out against "selective enforcement" of the obscenity laws, the Labour candidate's answers were rated "scandalous", and the Conser-vative is accused of "trying to say and promise to do as little as possible". He did not even redeem his reputation by being able to claim that he most recently visited Soho this month, to eat at the Epicure

## Good deal

Families too well endowed with art treasures and on embarrassment of inherited wealth are missing something good. The suggestion comes from Pro-fessor John Hale, chairman of the National Gallery's board of trustees, talking about the tax concessions which have just enabled the gallery to purchase its fine Van Dyck double portrait from Earl Spencer's collection

"If the owners come to us first to negotiate a private treaty sale not only do they not incur any tax, they get 25 per cent of the tax they would have had to pay actually paid to them. In almost every case I think owners would end up with more cash in their pocker if they sell privately to a national collection."



Michael Levey, the gallery's director, says the tax concessions are under-used and under-publicized. "We have in fact bought all the three paintings we have been offered in this way in recent years." (The other two were important acqui-sitions by Velazquez and Rembrandt.) But there have been no more offers, although the owners have nothing to lose and can only gain." Tax lia-bility on the Van Dyck, which could be expected to fetch at room, could easily be £200,000 -which would mean a £50,000 bonus to the vendor.

Meanwhile everyone at yesterday's unveiling was happy that the gallery had got a particularly glorious bargain, although they were left to guess how much it had actually cost. The two fine ledies in the picRivers, were rated MES IT IS RIGHT provement on Rembridials's parters rijcke Stoffels. And the a development on Rembridials parters rijcke Stoffels. And the a development increase the communication of the communication rijcke Stoffels. And united in 10n restorer, David Bom Mid in 10n

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# LOSS TO THE GOVERNMENT

ow seems certain that Mr land will not be able to ne his work as Foreign stary. He is a major loss to Government. Although he only Foreign Secretary for rt time, his high intelligence is growing mastery of the ct matter were winning him using respect. It was in-d that he should transfer e Exchequer later in the We would be doubtful of ews on economic policy in resent situation, but his ry of the subject matter have been already long 'shed.

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Budget, and negotiations for an incomes policy, on which he would not have worked. It is certainly important that there should be a strong Foreign Secretary to act in Europe as President of the Council of Minimum and the Council of the Council o Ministers, and it is also desirable that a new Chancellor should be acting out his own decisions rather than Mr Healey's, There are several possible Chancellors; Mr Dell, Mr Shore, Mr Varley. Mr Merlyn Recs and Mrs Shirley Williams all have a claim; there

may be others. A Chancellor has to satisfy a number of different and difficult audiences. He has to be able to maintain the Treasury position in the Cabinet, and in official Whitehall. He has to keep the confidence of the business community both at home and abroad. He has to be able to work with the trade unions. He has to have influence in the Labour Party, particularly in Parliament, and he has to be able to generate support for the Labour Party in the country. Some of the possible Chancellors are obviously stronger with some audiences

than with others. Mr Dell, for instance, would command the confidence of the business community and of senior officials in Whiteball; he would be good for sterling and he might be applauded by The Times, but it is doubtful whether his position in the Labour Party is strong enough. Mr Varley is stronger in the Labour Party, and acceptable in most areas, but he has limited experience of the subject matter and might not be technically convincing in the Cabinet or in the House of

Commons. Mr Shore is a much better Minister than people think, but he would not be personally re-assuring to the general public

That is a decision which it may

sometimes be reasonable to take

on grounds that are less exacting

than would satisfy a court. There

is also the consideration that if

any nation is to preserve its own

security it cannot always supply

in detail the reasons why it sus-

pects an alien of undermining it,

either to the person himself or to the general public. That is

especially true in an age when

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If an alien becomes involved at

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and his left wing reputation would not be reassuring to the business community. Mr Merlyn Rees has the advantage of having the personal confidence of the Prime Minister; he is a good and able man, but perhaps without that extra quality of intellectual initiative which a strong Chancellor requires. In any case he has only recently moved to the Home Office.

Mrs Shirley Williams has also moved recently, to the Ministry of Education, and the Labour Government have had too many Ministers of Education in too short a time. She would be well received by all the major constituencies to which a Labour Chancellor has to appeal except for the left wing of the Labour Party; even there she is liked though there is disagreement with her views. She has a good intellectual grasp of economic issues. If the Prime Minister were thinking in electoral terms the appointment of Mrs Williams might give him a Chancellor with strong appeal to the electorate, counter-balancing to some extent the loyalty many women voters

feel for Mrs Thatcher. It is doubtful, however, whether the Prime Minister is at present thinking in electoral terms, and he may well be inclined to play the safe card. The safe card would be Mr Merlyn Rees: a somewhat less safe card would be Mr Varley.

It is sad that these considerations should have to intrude into a period when the whole country, and particularly his close colleagues, are thinking with such sympathy and sadness about Mr Crosland in his severe illness. There is universal sympathy for him and for Mrs Crosland, who had made with her husband one of the strongest and most heartwarming of political marriages.

not deprive a man of his liberty: But there is the considerable risk it merely denies him the right to of creating more grievances than are settled by importing a quasiremain in a country that is not judicial arrangement into a discretionary system. The person

concerned may feel that he is

taking part in a charade. There are two objections to the present appeals procedure in security cases. The first is that there is no requirement that the judgment of the Home Office advisory committee should be made public. In this case it has not been officially disclosed and it seems there is no intention of doing so. That is wrong. Even though the findings are only advisory they should be made Secondly, the onus is placed too much on the representations made by the person in danger of deportation, which is bound to be unsatisfactory when he may not know the precise

charges against him. It would be much better for the advisory committee to have the obligation to satisfy itself on two grounds: that the Home Secretary has acted in good faith and that the exercise of his discretion has not been unreasonable. That would provide some check against the arbitrary use of adminstrative power without encouraging the pretence that this is in any sense a court or quasi-court. That would go some way to meet a justifiable sense of unease, but it will never be possible to avoid criticism whenever this power is used. In a country that values the rule of law that is itself a useful safe-

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EEC to see a devalution green pound is uterole, but it ought to be i for the moment. Ilis tandable because it is illogical that our curredy be assumed to have exchange rate, some nt higher than that pri in the free market, which ed only in calculations ng the workings of the

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difficult this year by the vo increases in food prices are necessary under the ional terms we accepted ting the Community. These es, which will bring British into line with those for mmunity as a whole, are to add two per cent to prices, a heavy enough for consumers to bear. sctice, however, it seems they will have to pay more.

desire of Britain's pamers The Commission is proposing another increase in farm prices this, year, which will add further to costs in Britain. To devaius the green pound would push up tood prices still further, and would make considerably harder the task of the Government in trying to bring about the kind of price stability which is necessary to ensure that sterling will be strong in the future.

That is the short-term arguon Agricultural Policy. ment for maintaining the green at the moment, the pound at its present rate. There ment for maintaining the green s, however, a more long-term rgument which is even stronger. ver since the CAP was formu-ted, its defects have been parent to all informed comnntators. It encourages the bad-up of surplus production. it as failed to give sufficient imprus to the much-needed refem of the structure of farming n Europe and it has not achied its social goal of guardreeing a high standard of living small farmers.

The defects have often been discussed and the need for action to sol them has commanded widespred assent. There has not hower been the kind of concrete crion needed to bring about chages. Those who do out of the system have found that sufficed to say no to the ide of change for it to be put of for another year. That ought not to be allowed to happen for another year, but it may well be. The existence of the absurdities of the present system of currency arrangements does, however, provide those in favour of reform with both a bargeining counter and an intellectual framework for arguing their case.

It is a bargaining counter because Britain, as the country which has most to gain from reform of the system, is also the country which is currently doing best from the subsidies being paid out as monetary compensa-tory amount. The £500m or so which we receive each year ought to be a warning to some of our partners that the policy is now so much of a lottery that it is increasingly difficult to be sure who will end up net beneficiaries. If we are to give up this compensation we ought to get something in return.

It is a help in the intellectual debate because it shows up the inadequacy of a system in which a "common market" is pre-served by erecting barriers between countries. The creation the Common Agricultural Policy was a milestone in the building of the EEC; its reform will be another. That reform will be brought closer by the British Government standing firm on the parity of the green pound.

popular in Scotland. Our support is steadily increasing month by month because nime is on our side. A majority of the under-35s support my party. They know that independence and independence alone will give them and their children a glittering future under a fair and compassionate SNP government.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

High cost of rail commuting

From the Chairman of British Railways Board

Sir, The letters from Mr H. C. Le
Neve Foster and Mr E. C. Hallett
(February 15) go right to the heart
of the problem of rail commuting in
London and the South East. The
Government's Green Paper on transport stated that the Government
wished to see the level of support
for railways in this sector eliminated
for outer suburban services and held for outer suburban services and held level for inner London services. This means a substantial reduction year by year in the level of support now given to services in London and the South East.

In our response to the Green Paper (An Opportunity for Change), we outlined the means by which this financial objective could be met. Productivity and good housekeeping can certainly play a part in containing support costs, but because of the very high cost nature of the peak services into cost nature of the peak services into and out of London, the only way that the Government's financial target can be fully achieved is by a policy of annual "real" fares increases for of annual "real" fares increases for peak travel above the level of inflation for at least the next four to five years. This real increase will need to be of the order of 71 per

cent per year.

Because such a policy will inevitably lead to large numbers of people ceasing to use rail for peak travel to and from work—our first estimate is that some 60,000 people per day will cease to travel—we believe that very real social problems are raised for those affected and that, indeed, high alternative costs will be created on the roads to meet the congestion caused by the switch from rail to road. These are social issues which can only be weighed by Government. We have spelled out quite clearly in An Opportunity for Change that the decision to go this way can only be made after full consideration of all the issues. Here there have the time the issues. Has there been the time for all of us concerned to explore the far-reaching consequences at stake? This clearly will be one of the most important questions facing the Government in the forthcoming presentation of the White Paper on transport Yours faithfully,

PETER PARKER, Chairman, British Railways Board, 222 Marylebone Road, NW1. February 15.

Canterbury and Rome From Mr David Crane

From Mr David Crane
Sir, I cannot be the only reader
stopped in his tracks by the breathtaking arrogance of the Rev
Laurence Bright's reply (February
11) to Mrs Husaid's letter (February 8). Whatever the new theology
has taught him it has not taught
him - humility; whatever it has
taught him it has not taught him
to preserve and respect the
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I am puzzled to know why he should wish to remain a Catholic, to continue to associate with those of us who, though not burdened with anything so Protestant-sounding as belief in Jesus, try to be faithful disciples of Christ on earth and hope to be received into the company of saints in heaven. Yours faithfully,

DAVID CRANE 11 Springwell Avenue, North End. Darham. February, 11.

Colonel Sammy Lohan From Colonel L. G. Lohan

Sir, Your correspondent Peter God-frey (February 10) was off course in saying that I was dismissed from my job as Secretary of the D-Notice Committee.

Against the wise advice of the Secretary of the Institution of Pro-fessional Civil Servants and despite loyal support from friends, resigned, I was appalled by the reck-less destruction of the good will upon which the D-Notices depended;

and I was sickened by the backstage intrigue. In my letter of resignation I said that I had been slandered out of business. I have been in the superb Treliske Hospital, Truro, or I should have

written earlier. Yours faithfully, SAMMY LOHAN, Villa Pendohan, Penpol. Devoran, Truro. Cornwall. February 15,

Rockall

From Mr Seton Gordon Sir, The new importance of Rockall, that tiny island, rather more than 90 miles beyond lonely St Kilda, brings back to my memory an exciting day shortly after the end of the Second War, when with the help of the RAF I joined a Sunderland flying boat in Portree Bay in the Isle of Skye, and two hours later, after a short aerial visit to Sr Kilda, found myself looking down upon an island which seemed no larger than a small ship.

As we made our first run over the island many kittiwake gulls flew out from the rock. At that time there was much discussion on whether the great Atlantic waves swept over its summit, 73 feet above the sea, thus preventing any bird from nesting on the island. We made seven runs over Rockall, and after the first runs very few birds remained on the ledges—but a few guillimots would not move,

and it was obvious they were brooding on eggs or chicks.

The Times published an article of mine at the time under the name "The Lonely Island". A good many years afterwards my old friend James Fisher, the distinguished writer and ornithologist, was able to make a landing on Rockall, but it was autumn and the nesting season was over,

Britain now claims the rock but it is now of infinitely greater value because of oil and Eire is asserting her claim to Rockall and its surParole and public opinion

Sir, In his article of today's date (February 15), Mr Bernard Levin has entered the lists in the predictable furore over the release on parole of Anna Mendleson, in parole of Anna Mendleson, in defence of the Home Secretary's decision. I have great confidence in the experience and judgment of the current Parole Board under Sir Louis Petch, guided by criteria which have stood the test of nine years, in making decisions to parole tens of thousands of prisoners since 1968. I therefore respect the decision of the Rome Secretary to accept the Board's recommendation

accept the Board's recommendation in this case.

But Mr Levin goes on to say: "public horror at their crimes should play no part in parole decisions, but I fear it does." Believing this opinion to be capable of creating misapprehension, I would like to comment on it. It is right that there should be a sense of public outrage when a crime is committed, such as those in which committed, such as those in which Miss Mendleson took part. It may not be right to extend this sense of outrage to a decision to vary the sentence on the offender to conditional release under supervision at a certain point in time; but it is certainly proper that the Parole Board and the Home Secretary should take that possible reaction fully into account before granting parole. To ignore it would be to rick losing public confidence in the parole process, and to create pressures for its restriction as an important seent in promering a more enlightened and effective

penal system. This is an area in which nublic opinion bearing on a major political decision and, more importantly, the future public interest, must be placed in the balance against that of an individual offender. Yours truly. JOHN HUNT.

House of Lords. February 15.

From Mr J. Maxwell Brownjohn Sir, Wise or not, the release of Miss Mendleson after serving so small a proportion of her sentence raises a simple but psychologically important point. Our penal system would seem less nonsensical to the general public were sentences to be pitched lower and the time deducted from them by way of parole or remission similarly reduced to a proportion which, while still provid-ing an incentive to reform and good behaviour, bore some reasonable relationship to the term originally imposed.

venture to say that, had Miss Mendlesco been sentenced to six Mendlesco been sentenced to six years' imprisonment and paroled after serving four-and-a-half, or 75 per cent of her term, few voices would now be raised in dissent. Yours faithfully,

J. MAXWELL BROWNJOHN.

rchard House, Marohull. Sturminster Newton, February 15.

From Sir Anthony Meyer, MP for Flint, West (Conservative) Sir, The Parole Board may well be right to recommend that Miss Anna Mendleson be set free, though neither Parliament nor public has been given any evidence on which to judge; certainly not by the impene-trable Mr Brynmor John on Febru-ary 14. But, in defending the Home Secretary's decision to accept the Parole Board's recommendation, Mr Bernard Levin has missed the vital issue. Never once, in his article on

February 15, does he mention the

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word deterrence.

Since there is to be no death penalty for terrorist crimes, it is essential to maintain the deterrent effect of a credible prison sentence. Most would-be terrorists believe that, even if they are caught and sentenced, they will serve only a very small part of their sentence. Miss Mendleson's release will confirm them in that belief. Therefore, however much she may have deserved release on personal grounds, she should have been made to serve her full sentence so as to discourage others from blowing innocent people to bits.

ANTHONY MEYER, House of Commons. February 15.

From Mr Giles Playfair Sir, One may agree with Mr Levin (February 13) that Miss Mendleson is most unlikely ever to plant a

bomb again. But one may also wonder whether he saw the interview with the girl's father in the early ITN bulletin. Her father said, in effect, that prison had destroyed his daughter. Was the crushing of her spirit the real reason for releasing her, just as the reason frankly given by Du Cane in 1896 for releasing John Daly, the Irish terrorist, was that otherwise he risked death?

The object of imprisonment-at least in the case of political offenders—is certainly not to reform them. It is to break them. But it doesn't invariably succeed in this. Thomas J. Clarke, it may be remembered, served fourteen years penal servitude under nineteenth century conditions that would no longer be tolerated today. Yet he lived to be shot for his part in the Easter Rebellion of 1916.

Can't we really think of, and as importantly won't we afford, a more hopeful and constructive way of responding to terrorism than punitive imprisonment? I am, Sir, Yours, etc, GILES PLAYFAIR,

2 Ramillies Road, W4. February 15. From Mr D. R. Townley

Sir, The release of Miss Anna Mendleson should not be based simply on "The Parole Board exercising its functions wisely, humanely and fruitfully", there are considerations other than that of the individual concerned.

Arguably punishment serves three functions in society: reform, deterrence and, perhaps the most often neglected, reinforcement of orten neglected, reinforcement or social dorms (public appeasement), but Mr Levin (The Times, February 15) has seen it right to consider only the first of these relevant. However failure to take into account the other two can have underirable consequences, both an undesirable consequences—both an increase in crime and longer sentences.
In the first case it is not difficult

to imagine a young potential terrorist being persuaded by the argument that at worst he will only face a few years in prison-and in the second case a frustrated and disillusioned public may lead to a hardening of attitudes and a political demand for even harsher sen-

tencing.

Both of these possible implications should inform any decision by the

To get round these blockages we

need to give more scope to common sense. There are already enough

breakthroughs, for example, in the

area of converting large empty industrial buildings into premises

for small enterprise, to suggest the seeds of a solution. What is now needed is the will to convert these isolated experiments into common

practice. The Times review of com-

mercial and industrial property on Monday revealed that asking rents

for offices are 60 per cent below the

peak values for three years ago—or one third the level if one discounts inflation. But land is still valued

Home Secretary. Yours faithfully, D. R. TOWNLEY, 10 Penrhyn Crescent, SW14. February 15.

The inner city

From Mr Nicholas Falk Sir, Peter Shore's statement at the Bristol conference on the inner city (The Times, February 10) reveals long last become causes for national concern. The question now arises of what value to place on inner areas, where most of the problems are

concentrated. So long as we talk in terms of needs and problems, we will make little progress. A more constructive approach is to look at the inner city as a set of opportunities and resources. The key question is then: What stops the resources from being fully utilized?

The most remarkable thing about most inner areas is the waste of the very resources they need for their recovery. For example, while space s at a premium, in some parts of London roughly one in three fac-tories stands idle. Redevelopment continues to eliminate residential and working communities though

acres of wasteland remain unused. If we ask why these opportunities are not taken up, three blockages stand out. The first is that planning tends to focus on achieving a desir end state, built to the highest standards, and thus neglects oppor-tunities for making immediate improvements. The second is that large institutions, both private and public, which dominate much of our lives, tend to operate through poli-cies and procedures which are both inflexible and hard to coordinate. The third is that the market price tends to be based on the highest values ever obtained, and to incor-porate a kind of ratchet which stops rices falling until all resources are fully used.

From Mr Graham Zellick

Sir, It is all very well for the British Government to adopt a righteous attitude over Ireland's failure to sign

Suppression of Terrorism. Whether

1870 and the Backing of Warrants (Republic of Ireland) Act 1965. Until

there is some firm evidence that

amending legislation is imminent,

and will be promoted with vigour,

our signature is meaningless, and

we are in no position to assume

superior airs.

Yours faithfully,

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GRAHAM ZELLICK,

Queen Mary College, University of London, Mile End Road, E1.

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the European Convention on

and zoned as if there was an endless number of people who are prepared to pay for rebuilding our cities as opposed to the reality of declining demand. Indeed, in some parts of London: such as the docklands, property values should really be negotive, as one would have to subsidize a developer. Second, it means a trimming down of planzing and building regula-tions. For example, it takes twice as long and costs 25 per cent more to build the same factory in this country as in other comparable industrial countries. Instead of hanging on for the highest price or the highest attainable standards, we must pay more regard to the costs of inaction and delay. Is holding back empty property so different

from keeping the granaries full in time of famine? Yours faithfully. NICHOLAS FALK. Managing Director, Urban and Economic Development Group, 12-13 Henrietta Street,

Covent Garden, WC2.

February 10.

Britain and terrorism The marriage service

From the Reverend Robert Hannay and Mrs Hannay
Sir, Like the Bishop of Sheffield
and others, whose letter you publish today (February 11), we welcome liturgical revision of the Marriage Service; but only if it makes more plain to modern people the glorious teaching of Christ, that marriage is for life, and that God will help us through all difficulties, if we call on

genuine reason or not, at least treland is being open in her refusal to sign. Britain, however, signed with alacrity but ratification must await amendment to the Extradition Act The failure of the Church of England to uphold this teaching with one voice leads to misery and confusion, both for those who married and in difficulties, and also for those who long to embark on marriage with the assurance that nor only God but the Church too will help them. Yours faithfully, ROBERT HANNAY, ALISON HANNAY,

Garsington Rectory, Oxford.

Higher fees for foreign students

From Mr Roger Aliord
Sir, The Vice-Chancellor of the
University of York (February 15) quotes the increase in university tuition fees as being of the "massive" size of +56 to +312 per cent. These increases are less dramatic when we remember that the full cost of providing university tuition for a culdent in perhaps in tuition for a student is perhaps in the region of £2,000 per annum and upwards (and I am well enough aware of the difficulties in establishaware of the difficulties in establishing any precise figures). The fee increases can then be seen to represent a fairly small reduction in the subsidy to overseas undergraduates of 15 per cent or less, and to overseas postgraduates of 26 per cent or less. Even after these reductions the subsidies still represent a substantial annual gift from United Kingdom taxpagers to from United Kingdom taxpayers to overseas taxpayers.

The Vice-Chancellor's letter shows how an uprealistic level of fees leads to unrealistic attitudes. Another example is the claim by some overseas students that there should be no discrimination in fees between United Kingdom and overseas students; but if these fees are not at an economic level, nondiscrimination between students means marked discrimination between United Kingdom and over-seas taxpayers, something overseas students do not seem to feel so strongly about. The United Kingdom taxpayer is under no duty to give these large subsidies, particularly to largely self-selected students, and in my judgment he is becoming increasingly unwilling to accept this expensive and often thankless

DUIS. ofC. ROGER ALFORD Cassel Reader in Economics.
The London School of Economics and Political Science. Houghton Street, WC2. February 15.

From Projessor R. A. Weale Sir, The letter on student fees by the Vice-Chancellor of York (February 15) re-emphasizes that no rational discussion appears to have taken place on the relative costs of domestic and visiting students

respectively.

Admittedly, the problem is bedevilled by the xenophobia that raises its ugly head in hard times even in a relatively civilized social fabric. But the fact remains that the economics of educating the two groups of student have innate differences, and equity does not neces-sarily stand on the equally long legs of similar fees.

Like all education in this country, university education is supported both by rate and tax payers. In general the parents of visiting students make no contribution to this subsidy. It may be argued validly that rate and tax payers should contribute to education as this is a long-term investment, like the proverbial planting of trees. Presumably such contributions are made elsewhere. If visiting students seek their education in this country-either because it is good or cheap or both—then the investment demands in their homes must be correspondingly lower. It seems to me unproven that the correspondingly saved resources should not

be directed to where the investment is made for their benefit. Where special considerations apply, and if charity can be afforded, there may be a case for avoiding fee differentials. Otherwise, however, it could be said that equal fees discriminate against domestic students in general, and the tax peyer in particular.

Yours very truly, R. A. WEALE, Director Department of Visual Science, Institute of Ophthalmology, University of London, Judd Street, WC1. February 15.

Literary insularity

From Professor G. W. Ribbans

Sir. Many admirers of Bernard Levin will have been dismayed at the uncharacteristic insularity revealed in his well deserved tribute to the Penguin Classics (February 8, 1977). The remark that "there simply cannot be very many more works to be translated into English which are truly of international fame and appeal" displays astounding arrogance and self satisfaction about the literature of the non-English peak. literature of the non-English-speaking world.

Among the works already published which are deemed inessential for the library of any civilized man is Goldos's Fortunata and Jacinto. Mr Levin is of course entitled to his view, but fortunately he has much contemporary critical opinion against him, including Pamela Hansford Johnson, who has recently (Times Literary Supplement, January 21, 1977) given Galdos as chairs of the most understand choice of the most underrated writer. On the evidence of Fortunata and The Disinherited, also recently translated, she concludes that Galdós is "worthy to stand in the first half dozen of European writers of all time".

GEOFFREY RIBBANS, Head of Department, School of Hispanic Studies, Modern Languages Building, The University of Liverpool, PO Box 147.

Keats and claret

From Mr Reginald Maudling, MP for Chipping Barnet (Conservative) Sir, Good Food Guide (your issue

February 12), describes Keats as a claret lover. Is this really true?

His taste in wine has always mystified me, since he appeared to favour sparkling red wines, an oddity to say the least. Certainly his draught of vintage was to taste of Provencal song, (he would have warmed to Monsieur Thuilier). But how about the "beaded bubble winking at the brim and purple stained mouth"? Surely there never her beautiful and the stained mouth the stained mou has been a sparkling claret, despite the lezend about Chateau Carbon-

nieux ? Yours faithfully, REGINALD MAUDLING. 9 Clunie House, Hans Place,

February 14.

lution poll Ars Winifred M. Ewing, MP ray and Nairn (Scottish

nen the referendum on entry Common Market took place, one third of those who voted, against it. The result was sed as an overwhelming vic-r entry to the Common Marpublished in our columns earlier this week (Th Times. February 1) showed two Sos out of every three voting for got some way down the devolution and. This was publicised in vo newspaper and throughout the pedia as "One in three Scots vol against devolu-

Moreover you do not inform your readers that the VP (according to the same poil) a now the most results of the System 3 poil

Yours for Scotland, WINNIE EWING,

House of Commons.

rounding seas. I am, etc. SETON GORDON, Upper Duntuilm, Isle of Skye.



## **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** February 16: The Prince of Wales was present at a luncheon given by Coutts & Co to mark the retire ment of Sir Seymour Egerton as Chairman at 1 Suffolk Street,

Squadron Leader l Checketts was in attendance.

His Royal Highness, as Chairman of The Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal, this evening attended the London Premiere of the film 25 Yours at the ABC 1 Cinema, Shaftesbury Avenue. Captain Timothy Ward was in

CLARENCE HOUSE

February 16: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and The Prince of Wales. Counsellors of Smtc neder Her Malesty's Commission. held a Council on behalf of The Queen at 12 noon today.

There were present: The Right Hon Michael Foot, MP (Lord President),
The Right Hon the Lord
Goronwy-Roberts (Minister of
State for Foreign and Common-

wealth Affairs),
-The Right Hon Ronald King
Murray, MP (Lord Advocate) and The Right Hon Denis Howell, MP (Minister of State, Department of the Environment).

Mr Neville Leigh was in atten-dance as Clerk of the Council. The Right Hon Michael Foot, MP, had an audience of the Counsellors of State before the Council. KENSINGTON PALACE

February 16: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior of the Order of St John, installed the Duke of Westminster as Knight Commander of the Commandery Artis and afterwards held an It. Aros and afferwards ned an Investiture at Hillsborough Castle. Northern Ireland. In the afternoon His Royal Highness inspected members of the St John Ambulince Brigade with their equipment.

His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight. Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in Ettendance.

A service of thanksgiving for the 11fo of Peter Finch will be beld on "mesday, March 8, at 5t Paul's Church, Covent Garden, at noon.

## irthdays today

ir J. A. P. Charrington. 72; Sir ic Clevson, 69; the Earl of 7in, 53; Lord Foot, 68; Lord Parton, 66; Sir George Mallaby, General Sir John Mogg, 54; Orby Mootham, 76; Professor re Palley, 46; Sir Lincoln phs, 68; Mr T. C. Ravensdale,

## Marriage

Yr A. C. Thompson and Miss D. Moyle

and Miss D. Moyle
The marriage took place on Satmay, February 12, at St Mary's
Church, Melton Mowbray, between
Nr Andrew Thompson, son of the
late Mr E. C. O. Thompson and
Niss Thompson, of 158 Cranmer
Court, London, SW3, and Miss
Diana Moyle, only daughter of
119 or and Mrs T. Moyle, of Old
Dalby, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire. The Rev Colin Gill offichited, assisted by Canon G. H. cluted, assisted by Canon G. H. Codrington and Conon C. J. R.

by her father, was given away by her father, was attended by Miss Scrah Finnis, Miss Roxane Eelfour, Victoria Joanstone, Harriet Crofts, Charles Wood and William Conant. Mr Martin Thompson was best man. A reception was held at Old Dalby Wood House and the honey-omou is being spent abroad.

75 years ago from the Three of Saturday, February 16, 1952 Royal funeral

Martial spiendour and solemnity lit with colour and enriched with sound the long last pligrimage of King George VI from his Palace of Westminster to his chapel at Windsor. Emotions, deeply stirred, thus found expression and release in the pageantry which attends a monarch even in death. Tha democratic levelling of the tomb enjoined that in the majesty of that superb shrine where the King's mortal remains now lie it was "our dear brother" of whom the last rite stoke. Thus was "our dear brother" of whom the last rite spoke. Thus the kinship of sovereign and propte was proclaimed to the last that close, abiding bond which had drawn thousands of his subjects to mourn baside the creafalque up to the ultimate moment of the lying-in-state, and now draw thousands more to now drew thousands more throng the route of the funeral

Church news

New Rhodesian bishop The Rev Robert Mercer, who was expelled from South Africa in 1970, has been elected Bishop of Matabeleland. Rhodesia. He was Rector of St Mary's. Stellenbosch, when he and another priest were expelled to Rhodesia, where he worked in Mashonaland. He suc-

Hereford.

Canon M. R. J. Manktelow,
Vicar of St Wilfrid's, Harrogate,
diocese of Ripon, has been
appointed Bishop Suffragan of
Basingstoke, diocese of Winchester, in succession to the Right
Rev C. C. W. James, now Bishop
of Wakefield. Canon Manktelow
is also to be a residentiary canon is also to be a residentiary canon of Winchester Cathedral.

# WE, THE LIMBLESS, LOOK TO YOU We come from both world wars.

We come from Kenya, Malaya, Aden, Cyprus...and from Ulster, From keeping the peace no less than from war we limbless look to you for help.
And you can help, by helping our Association, BLESMA (the British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association) looks after the

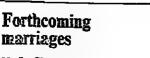
limbless from all the Services. It helps, with advice and oncouragement, to overcome the shock of losing arms, or legs or an eye. It sees that red-tape does not stand in the way of the right entitlement to pension. And, for severely handicapped and the elderly, it provides Residential Homes where they can live in peace and dignity.
Help BLESMA, please, We need.

money desperately. And, we promise you, not a penny of it will



London ECIA 9DX.

# **Ex-Service** Men's Association



The engagement is announced between Luke, younger son of Sir Leslie Glass, KCMG, of Stone House. Ivington, Herefordshire, and Mrs Francis Hoyer Millar, of Craig House, by Montrose, Angus, and Corinna Roberta, daughter of Mr Oscar Lassen, of Copenhagen, and Mrs Marjorie Napier, of Rake Manor, Milford, Surrey.

Mr A. A. B. Duncan and Miss L. M. A. McKenzie Biggs and Miss L. M. A. McKenzie siggs
The engagement is announced
of Archibald, younger son of Sir
Arthur and Lady Duncan. of
Castlehill, Kirkmahoe, Dumfriesshire, and Isabel, daughter of
Major and Mrs Kenneth McKenzie
Biggs, of Merkland, Auldgirth, Dumfriesshire.

Mr B. E. Arror and Wilss D. Rou The engagement is announced between Brian, only son of Mr A. E. Amor and the late Mrs Amor, of Rempstead Road, Wat-ford, and Dina. second daughter of Mr and Mrs B. F. Hou, of

The Rev J. S. H. Coles and Miss A. A. Grobecker

Tainan, Taiwan.

The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs J. H. Coles, of Headinglev. Leeds, and Anne, elder daughter of the Rev G. F. Grobecker, MBE, QHC, and Mrs Grobecker, of Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Mr B. S. G. Cowan and Miss C. G. Auret The engagement is announced between Bruce, son of the late Lieutenant Colonel J. R. G. Cowan, and Mrs Cowan, of Old Peelers, Chure Cadley, near Andover, and Caroline, daughter of Major and Mrs J. H. Auret, of Wanganni, New Zesland.

the engagement is announced between Thomas, youngest son of Air Commudore J. M. Freeman, CBE, and Mrs Freeman, of Henfield, Sussex, and Philippa Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Thwaites, Cox Hill, Marnhull Dorset.

The engagement is announce between Alasdair Michael Goulden The Queen's Regiment, son of Dr and Mrs R. P. Goulden, of High-gate, London, Nio. and Penelone Ann. daughter of Mr A. F. Miles and the late Mrs Beryl Miles, of Sevenoaks, Kent.

Mr. J. Gouldiag and Miss E. O'Day

The engagement is announced between Julian, only son of Dr and Mrs Roy Goulding, of Chelsea and Maggots End, Manuden, and Eryl, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P. R. O'Day, of Rusting, Great Bookham, Surrey. ECGD Advisory Council
The Secretary of State for Trade,
Mr Edmund Dell, gave a luncheon
at the Mansion House yesterday
for City members of the Export
Guarantees Advisory Council. The Mr P. J. Howell and Miss J. M. Leyland

The engagement is announced between Paul Jonathan, only son of Mr and Mrs R. H. Howell, of Calderstones, Liverpool, and Jane Meryl, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. J. Leyland, of Woolton Park, Liverpool.

The engagement is announced hetween Michael, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. B. Hoyle, of Shindled. Reading, and Susanna, daughter n: the late Mr and Mrs D. C. B. Riviere and stepdaughter of Mrs. V. L. Pinters of Mrs. W. L. Pinters of Mrs. V. J. Riviere, of Wiveton, Nor-

Mr A. G. Kairls and Miss C. J. Goulandris

Mr A. G. Maris and Miss C. J. Goulandris
The engagement is announced between Alexandros, son of Mr and Mrs Giannis N. Kakris, of Lausanne, Switzerland, and Caterina, daughter of Mr and Mrs John M. Goulandris, of Athens.

Greece.

Lunchtime Comment Club Sir Ashley Bramail was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Lunchtime Comment Club beid at the Connaught Rooms yesterday.

Mr Douglas Princhard, chairman, presided.

Mr A. Maitland and Miss P. J. G. Cowan and Miss P. J. G. Cowan
The engagement is announced between Andrew, second son of the late Mr J. Maitland and Mrs M. S. Maitland, of Caterham, Surrey, and Jane, eldest daughter of Major and Mrs K. McC. Cowan, of Arzos Hill Lodge, Rotherfield, Sussex.

Dr J. K. Pve and Miss M.A. Cotter and Miss M.A. Cotter
The engagement is announced between Jonathan Kellow, only son of Mrs Pye and the late Wing Commander R. W. Pye, RAF (reid), of Old Castle House, Speen, Newbury, Berkshire, and Mary-Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. L. Cotter, of Mornington, Victoria, Australia.

Mr J. Edwardes

A. memorial service for Mr Julius
Edwardes, formerly General
Mauager of Public Affairs and
Information, BP, was held yesterday at St Giles's, Cripplegare,
EC2. The Rector of St Giles's, the
Rev Edward Rogers officiated and
gave an address. The lesson was
read by Mr D. E. C. Steel, chairman of BP. Among those present Latest wills

Mr Alfred Roberts, of Higheliffe, Dorset, left £36,396 net. He left all his property equally between the Spastics Society and Help the Other estates include (net, before Other estates include (net, before duty paid; duty not disclosed):
Beccheno, Freda La Tour, of Chelsea £112,337
Cooper, Sir Harold Stanford, of Brisbourne, former vice-chairman of Fird's £91.114
De Bravilland, Mrs Helen Elizabeth Wrey, of Little Rorkesley £415,940
Edwards, Mr Gordon James Lewis, of Fairbourne, Gwynedd £148,080

ceeds the Right Rev Mark Wood, who is now Assistant Bishop of Hereford.

# Latest appointments include: Mr R. B. Gibson, QC, chairman, Health Services Board, to be a High Court judge assigned to the Queen's Bench Division. Dr J. A. Reld, a deputy chief medical officer in the Department of Health and Social Security, to be Chief Medical Officer of the Scottish Home and Health Depart. Dr Iain Skevvis, aged 40. director of the Yorkshire and Humberssde chief executive of the Development Eoard for Rural Wales from June. Major-General D. C. Alexander. Royal Marines. to be directorgeneral of the English-Speaking Union, in succession to Mr W. N. Hugh Jones, from March 1.

Major The Earl of Ancaster, KCVO, TD., Midland Bank Limited . 60 West Smithfield

**British Limbless** 



The Duke of Gloucester, in his robes as Grand Prior of the Order of St John, with Mrs Joy Jackson, a St John nurse, at Hillsborough Castle, near Belfast yesterday, after he had installed the Duke of Westminster as Knight Commander of the Commandery of Ards.

# Church criticized on human rights

By Clifford Longley

Religious Affairs Correspondent Stronger involvement by the Church of England in work for human rights at home and abroad was called for by the General Synod yesterday after many speakers had acknowledged that the church's performance had fallen short in the past. the past.

The debate was, in a way, a reply to a challenge by a member last year to find a scriptural and theological basis for human rights, which appeared to be a secular and humanistic concept not owing its existence to the Christian tradition.

In a report from the synod's Board for Social Responsibility,

Law Society
The President of the Law Society
Mr David Napley, gave a succheon
party at 60 Carey Street yesterday. The guests were:
Lord Justice Shaw, Mr William Devdan,
Sir Alm Daviery, Sp. Michael Havers,
Fig. Mp By Mr Alm Cooper,
In Mr R. K. Denby, Mr
Mr R. K. Denby, Mr
N. K. Cooper and Mr J. Bowron.

Luncheons

Law Society

Reception

guests included : The Liberian Amba

Mr J. Edwardes

Memorial service

Riches & Blythin Partnership

The partners of the Riches & Blythin Partnership held a reception at their London offices yesterday evening to mark the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the foundation of the practice. The mark included.

The Liberian Ambassador, representa-tives of the Pakistan Embassy and the Storra Loone High Commission, Sir Hubert Bannett, Alderman G. H. Pirie.

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Mrs E. Hartigan. Mr P. Hartigan. Mr

G. Hartigan. Mr and Wrs P. Ustinove.

Mr R. W. Adam : BP. Mrs J. P.

Anderson. Mr J. O. Arthur. Mr D.

W. K. Barker. Mr C. E. Barr. Mr R.

S. Eath man. Mr J. G. Arthur. Mr D.

S. Eath man. Mr J. B. B. B. B. B.

Mr J. Mrs J. Birks. Mr A.

Blackburn. Mr J. Blotham. Mr A.

Bomford. Str Maurice Bridgeman.

'former chairman. BP. Mr I. K.

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Benovolent Seciety 1917; Mr J. S.

Goaring, Mr P. J. Gillam. Mr P. Goddar-Wilson (Mide East Association).

Miss A. M. Goodhart. Mr I. Goodge.

which prompted the debate, in criticism, other speakers em-the opening speech by the phasized that the church could board's chairman, the Bishop of not preach to the world on the opening speech by the board's chairman, the Bishop of Truro, the Right Rev Graham Leonard, and in the motions finally passed, the Christian basis for human rights was firmly recognized, springing from "the Christian understanding of man as made in the divice image".

The Rev Paul Oestreicher,

representing Southwark, who is also chairman of the British section of Amnesty Inter-national, said the Church of England had an apparent in-ability to be a church for others, "We find many convincing reasons for chickening out", he In a similar spirit of self-

British Overseas Trade Board

Crabinee Poundation

The Prime Minister was present at a dinner held by the British Overseas Trade Board at Trinis House last night. The host was Si Frederick Catherwood, chairman.

The augual dinner of the Crab-

dent, was in the chair, and the oration was delivered by Dr Bernard Hargrove, Among those

present were:

Mr Eirikur Benedikt, Professor F. J.

Gadwallador, Mr F. C. Carpenler, Professor D. P. Craig, Professor S. F.

Datta, Mr U. Encegren, Mr F. G.

Mr J. Heard, Professor P. A. Jewel

Professor R. V. Jones, Professor MtcGlashan, Mr P. D. C.,

J. W. Scott and Dr A. Tay.

The United and Cecil Club held a dinner, at the House of Commons last night. The guest of honour was Mr William Whitelaw. CH. MP, Deputy Leader of the Conservative Party. Mr Dudley Smith, MP, chairman, presided.

United and Cecii Club

Ball

Winter Ball

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human rights unless it was sure its own record was in order, and its own people treated properly; concern for human rights abroad should not blind the church to rights issues at Reports are being prepared

for the synod to debate later, with the encouragement of yesterday's motions, on race relations, planning, Northern Ireland, and prisons. The synod also gave full support to the human rights work of the World Council of Churches, which now encompasses religious freedom in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe.

## Mr J. K. Thomnson, Mr Ivor Cum-mings, Mr Bankole Throthy, Mr D. R. Fryer and Mr D. F. Rose. Chants greet the Queen as she

tree Foundation was held at University College London last night. Mr D. M. Wijson, presi-

Figs-waving crowds cheered the royal couple on their way to a more formal welcome in Suva's Albert Park.

There, Fijian chiefs, barechested and in straw skirts, and high-randing Fijian women, greeted the Queen with an hour of ceremonial chants, speeches and

presentations.
All the Fijians there, including Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara, the Prime Minister, sat on the ground as a mark of respect as the Queen and

with whales' teeth and other gifts, including local handicrafts, cooked foods and the potent locally-brewed drink called

Wister Ball
Mrs Margaret Thatther. MP, was
present at the Winter Ball held
at the Dorchester hotel last night.
Those attending included the
Dowager Viscountess Davidson
(president), Mrs Winston Churchill
(christens) (chairman) and Mr Winston Churchill, MP, Mr Denis Thatcher and Lord and Lady Thorneycroft. and Lord and Lady Thorneycroft.

Mr J. B. Goudge, Mr W. P. C. Grassick, hie and Mrs A. T. Gregory, Mr and Mrs D. F. Gresham, Major and Mrs D. Griffin, Miss Ruby Gwilliam (Middle East, Association International Mrs M. M. Gresham, Mr John Marvey, Mr G. Herridge, Mr F. L. Hodges, Mr R. J. A. Hodges, Mr E. G. Kodgkin, Mr and Mrs G. M. Holland, Mr M. D. Holloway M. R. B. Horton, Miss A. Hoskins, Mr A. B. Howard, Mr M. L. Hubber, Mr E. G. Horton, Miss A. Hoskins, Mr A. B. Howard, Mr M. L. Hubber, Mr E. G. F. Laides, Mr T. Kelly, Mis. A. King, Mr and Mrs Dudley Knott, Mr C. G. F. Laidese (FFV) and Mrs Laddsow Mr J. Green, Mr L. Green, Mr M. G. Green, Mr A. Macariney, Mr J. Missel, Mr J. Mr J

returned to the park this after-noon for the presentation of silver jubilee gifts. a display by 1,000 schoolchildren, and traditional Sydney: Supporters of a move-

the Duke of Edinburgh were met by Fljian chiefs when they arrived here today. They were presented with a ceremonial whale's tooth, or tabua. on board the Brimmia. When the royal yacht docked the Queen, wearing a red, white and blue outfit, received a bouquet of archids.

cent unsold. Gourley paid £180 for a pould of "The Bull Fight" (estimate £100 to £150).

Yagona.
The Queen thanked the chiefs and, in a brief speech, said Fiji showed how much could be achieved by different races working together for the good of all.

After lunch at Government House, the Queen and the Duke

Sydney: Supporters of a movement advocating an Australian republic pledged today not to stage demonstrations during the Queen's visit next mouth.

Mr Donald Horne, an author and one of the founders of the Citizens for Democracy republican group, said there would be no organized protests or demonstrations in support of the cause by members against by the Queen.—Reuter.

Science report

(estimate £3.500 to £4.500); the maker was Frederick Kandler and the date £750.

A set of three George I casters (4602), by Anne Tanquersy, dated 1720 and 1721, made £3,300 (estimate £2.500 to £3,000). A set of four George II candlesticks (7202) by William Cafe, dated 1758, made £2.700 (estimate £1.400 to £1,800).

A sale of antique arms and

# arrives in Suva

Suva, Feb 16.—The Queen and the Duke of Ediaburgh were met

Flag-waving crowds cheered the

# A sale of antique arms and armour, also at Christie's, totalled 563,787, with 5 per cent uosold. A pair of early mineteenth-century duelling pistols by Durs Egg of London made £2,400 (estimate £1,800 to \$2,200).

£1,700 teapot : In a Phillips sale of English and Continental cera-mics and glass, which totalled £41,100, with 2 per cent unsold. Davis paid £1.700 for an early

per cent unsold.

At Christie's a sale of fine English and foreign silver made 5111,928, with 3 per cent unsold, largely contributed by a single lot. A George II soup tureen and cover (14402) of elaborate rococo design who scroll fact anding in

design, the scroll feet ending in deers' heads and the finial formed as a deer springing from a ground of shells and game, made 25,000 (estimate 23,300 to £4,500); the

Meissen chinoiserie teapot and cover (estimate £1.000). A Coalport desert service of 25 pieces went to Smith for £1.050 (estimate £800). Phillips's sale of pot lids and

Today's engagements The Duchess of Gloucester attends

The Duchess of Gloucester attends dress show in aid of St John Ambulance, Shire Hall, Warwick, 8 pm.

Exhibition: "Chinese blue and white" fliustrating different styles of porcelain, Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington, 10-6.

Exhibition: 75 years of British submarines. National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, 10-5. The Queen's Life Guard mounting ceremony, Horse Guards, White-hall, 11.

Atbenaeum

Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the EEC Commission, has been elected to membership of the Athenaeum under Rule II.

# Climatology: London to blame for worst storm

A climatologist at London University has demonstrated how London itself aggravated the worst British storm since records began. The storm of torrential rain on August 14, 1975, killed one person, flooded many homes, and disrupted traffic over a wide area of north London. Dr B. W. Atkinson of the De-

Dr B. W. Atkinson of the Department of Geography, Queen Mary College, argues in a paper now published that London's accumulated heat contributed to the severity of the storm. Between 4:30 pm and 7 pm nearly seven inches of rain fell on Hampstead and neighbouring areas. It was a storm of tropical violence. Rain gauges on Parliament Hill and Hampstead Heath broke at 60mm, battered by ballstones and choked with leaves.

According to Dr Atkinson, three

According to Dr Atkinson, three principal causes combined to produce the storm. A zone of converging air lay across London, helping air to rise. But, he says:

"The accumulated heat of London

itself encouraged the updraft of air, which was further boosted by the altitude of Hampstead Heath, where the storm was to be con-centrated."

Clouds started to form at about 1.15 pm and the updraft was so strong that they continued to build up over four hours. Water and ice were carried up to about seven kilometres until their accumulated weight overcame the updraft and the storm began. Climatologists have been interested in the effects of cities on climate for some time. It is known that a city the size of London tends to increase temperatures, reduce day-time wind speeds and decrease humidity and visibility.

By a Staff Reporter.

Source: No 8 in a series of occa-sional papers by the Department of Geography, Queen Mary College, London University.

# Broadcasting system should be left intact, radio chief says

Latest appointments

atest appointments include:

Lord Annan's committee on the future of broadcasting, which is due to report at Easter, was advised by Mr Howard Newby, head of BBC Radio, yesterday to leave the broadcasting organizations intact.

leave the broadcasting organizations intact.

Mr Newby, giving the Haldane Memorial Lecture, said if the Annan committee recommended breaking up the broadcasting organizations and the Government accepted that advice, there would be no one to think of listeners and viewers as a whole and the way they formed overlapping minority and majority audiences.

"It is not just audiences that would be splintered", he said, "It is thinking about the broadcasting needs of society as a whole that would be splintered too. After such an act there might well be

more broadcasting, but its range would be smaller than today and the choices offered to the public fewer". For technical, financial and social reasons, Mr Newby said, it seemed likely that broadcasting would remain the responsibility of

ment in succession to Sir John

britished, who reales in assumer.

Dr lain Skewis, aged 40, director of the Yorkshire and Humberside Development Association, to be chief executive of the Development for Burnel Wales from June.

on the way the proper radge of programmes can be provided; un-fashionable because we live at a time when large organizations are suspect, power is being devolved and small, as the expression goes, is beautiful.
"My belief is that in broadmy better is that in broad-casting the opposite is true and that big is beautiful." Only through size and self-confidence could broadcasters be indepen-dent and resist pressures. Politicians would have to decide

big organizations.

What I have said about the

continuance of big broadcasting organizations will be nawelcome to some, particularly those who argue that the BBC, for example, is ill fitted to serve the needs of the kind of pluralist society which they claim ours is. They argue that substantial sections of the population are excluded from broadcasting of the population are excluded from broadcasting. ing or do not have easy access to the microphone and television

worker-participation, or at least greater involvement in editorial

what structure the organizations would have, whether more broadcasting hodies were needed, how they might be financed and whether they were properly responsive to people's needs and regularments.

decisions. Some argue that regular programming should be provided by political parties or pressure groups, as in HoHand, where any body of more than 40,000 people initially, and 100,000 after a year on the air. can provide regular programming should be provided by political parties or pressure groups, as in HoHand, where any body of more than 40,000 people initially, and 100,000 after a year on the air, can provide regular

"It would be rather as though in this country the BBC and the Independent Broadcasting Auth-ority ran broadcasting like a great marshalling yard for trains labelled, say, the TUC, the CBI, the Roman Catholic Church, the Consumers' Association, and so on." Common to those advocates of

change, he said, was the view that broadcasting was too important to be left to the professionals; and fair and objective was, they tailed, suspect

# OBITUARY

Gold coin

charm sold

for £11,000

rarest of Australian coins.

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
A gold coin that came from a charm bracelet was sold at Sotheby's yesterday for £11,000 (estimate £2,000 to £4,000). It is a Port Phillip gold quarter-ounce of 1833 one of the earliest and careet of Australian coins.

Its owner remained anonymous yesterday, but when she walked into Sotheby's in April to arrange

the sale of other coins, she rested her wrist on the counter and Mr

Michael Naxvoa, a Sotheby's coin expert, noticed the rarity. Sotheby's had not handled one since King Farouk's sale in 1954, when it made \$170. The price is

an auction record for an Australian coin.

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# PROFESSOR HARRY THOR Historical and social geograph

Professor Harry Thorpe, ham and Warwickhire of BE, FSA, Head of the Department of Geography in the University of Birmingham, died ciation during 19475, 18 on February 14 at the age of 64.
Harry Thorpe was born in
Chesterfield, Derbyshire, on
February 2, 1913, the only child
of the late Harry Thorpe and Ada Kirk. He was educated at Chesterfield Grammar School and Bede College, University of Durham, graduating in 1933 with first-class honours and winning the Maltby prize. He was a demonstrator at Durham from 1933 to 1939 and received the MLitt for his work on the historical geography of the Bolden Book which replaced the Domesday Survey in Durham After a short period as a schoolmaster at Accrington, Lancashire, he joined the army and was commissioned in the Royal Engineers, reaching the rank of major. He saw

The coin has a romantic history. During the 1851 gold rush. Australia, which until then had been merely a penal colony, found itself short of coins. The authoriservice in the survey branch in the War Office and in South East Asia where he served in Ceylon, Iodia and Burma, with requesting that new Australian sovereigns should be minted, but that was a long process.

An enterprising storekeeper, who had been regularly exchanging goods for gold dust with prospectors, decided to issue his the 14th Army. In 1946 he was appointed as a lecturer in the University of Birmingham, becoming a senior lecturer in changing goods for gold dust with prospectors, decided to issue his own coinage. But just as he was about to launch it the sovereigns arrived from England.

Only a small number of loz and 202 coins appear to have been issued before the authorities outlawed his currency. His dies were discovered in the 1890s and a small number of gold coins were made from them for collectors. The coin sold yesterday was considered by experts to be from the 1853 issue.

Prices proved generally buoyant 1951, Reader in 1954 and Second Professor in 1964. On the death of Professor D. L.
Linton in 1971 he was made
Head of the Department.
At Birmingham he established a strong tradition of
research in historical and

social geography. He special-ized on the West Midlands, ized on the West Midlands, publishing work on Lichfield, Wall, Wormleighton, the pre-Normao Midlands and Warwickshire. His best known work was his authoritative The Printed Maps of Warwickshire, 1576-1900, with P. D. A. Harvey, which has become a model for several later county articles. Prices proved generally buoyant for the coin sale, which totalled £78,368, with less than 1 per cent unsold. In the banknote section, two 1918 Australian £10 notes fetched £850 each; one had been estimated at £100 to £140 and the other at £80 to £120 because of a other at £80 to £120 because of a slight difference in condition.

Sotheby's also held a sale of Old Master paintings, which totalled £67,995, with 14 per cent unsold. The top price was £4,400 (estimate £1.800 to £2.200) for a pair of shipping scenes on panel catalogued as by a "follower of Jan van Goven.". A sale of furditure and works of art at Sotheby's Belgravia made £32,412, with 4 per cent unsold. everal later county catalogues. He was also keenly interested in the morphology of rural settlements and published several papers on this concernsettlements and

ing co Durham, the British Isles, Denmark and Northern Europe.
In recognition of his work as an historical seographer he was made president of the Birming-

MR JOHN OWE Mr John Owen, CB, lately and a ft for clarity in an Under-Secretary in the Treasury, died on February 14 at the age of 62.

After greduating from Balliol in 1937, he joined the War Office, and then transferred to the Treasury in 1939. He served in the Army from 1942 to 1945, in the Grenadier Guarde For the average for the control of the c Guards. For the greater part of his Civil Service career he was engaged on overseas finance engaged on overseas finance matters, and between 1953 and 1956 served in Paris at the OEEC.

the development of financial and economic relations with Europe from the late 1950s, and made a significant contribution to negotiations with the EFTA and EEC. Ris qualities of speed of work, deep understanding of the issues involved

He was closely concerned with

LT-GEN SIR RICHARD CRADDOCK Lieutenant - General Sir Canada. Thereafter he will

hurst and commissioned into the Buffs in 1930, later serving is their Adjutant in France in 1939. From 1940 to 1944 he held various positions, in the United Kingdom with a break in 1941 when he were a more than the control of the c in 1943 when he was a member of the Prime Minister's delega-tion to Washington, Quebec and Cairo. In 1944, as OC 2nd South Wales Borderers, he went to

Wales Borderers, he went to North-West Europe, but was wounded soon afterwards and evacuated to Britain. Later in the year he went to North-West Europe again, this time as OC 1st Suffolk Regiment, and was wounded again.
In 1949 he was Military Assistant to the CIGS, and in this capacity accompanied the CIGS on tours of the Middle East and

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tion of the Church of Englad.
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Christi College, Oxford reaing Greats he came under the formative influence of Schler. During a period of teaching at

Repton under the headnester-

ship of Geoffrey Fishr he received ordination, and ecame subsequently headmaste of St Edmund's School Canerbury, where he continued 3 be a

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Richard Craddock, KBE, CB, cessively Director of Pla DSO, died on February 14 at the War Office, Brigadier : the age of 66. Born in Calcutts HQ Sombern Command : in 1910 he was educated a Major General in G:: Charterhouse and RMC Sang Administration, Headqu Command Major General in C: Administration, Headqu Administration, Headque Northert Army Group I Army of the Rhine. H. Director of Military Operals Of US in 231 War Office, from 1959 to was promoted Lieur. Genera in 1963 and was CIESE EXPLAIS mands British Forces, kong, from 1963 to 1964 was SOC-in-C Western mand from 1964 to 1966 was leputy Colonel, the Quantum Mr. Williams. was leputy Colonel, the Q. Own Buffs, 1965 to 1960

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dughter. CANON HENRY BALMFORTH

The Rev John Vine writes:

May I be permitted to add an impression to your obituary notice of Canon Henry Balmforth?

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In her early life Palairer was the subject o

of Augustus John's best most beautiful portraits. C. Lady in a green coat."

Ambassador to the Government in exile,

retired in 1945. Probably

## ADY PALAIRET

A friend writes :4 Mary Palairet's nany friends,

both in this country and abroad, while nounning her happiest post was Buckey passing, will be happy that her end was peaccul, after long years marked y sad bereavements and phrsical disability, all sustained by the firm Catholic faith which she and her husband mbraced in their early life. Tey were married in 1945. Probably retired in 1945. Probably happiest post was Buckey assisted in making the sisted in assisted in making the sisted in the sisted in the sisted in the sisted in making the s in 1915, and except for service at the Paris Peace Conference, Sir Michael, whole career was at many diplomatic posts abroad. To had premature ends: in 138 they had to leave Vienna where Sir Michael was HM Minster, on the Nazi occupation of Austria. The next post was Athens, which they most beautiful portraits. (
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OR NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICE

Racal sights

in bid battle

Racal Electronics is slowly

moving towards victory in its \$64.25m cliffhanging bid for the American data communications group, Milgo Electronic.

A further 85,800 Milgo shares were tendered to Racal yesterday, taking acceptances for its \$36-a-share cash offer up to 49.85 per cent, compared with the 47 per cent level the rigal suitors. Applied Disirely

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# 'ider prices and rnings gap derlines social ntract strain

cs Correspondent

bts continue about the s for a new round of raint, new figures out y showed that during five mouths of the prelicy average earnings 5.4 per cent, using up the near 7 per cent increase estimated in social contract was

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of that, it would be to jump to the con-lat the limits on pay between the Trades ngress and the Govlast summer are not served. The aurumn winter often see a id growth in earnings by far slower growth e second half of the

lso important to note with the increases in recorded, average did not keep pace with during the 12 months and of December and gap was widening, the measure of this

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## WAGES

The following are the index numbers for basic rates of wages all manual workers in all industries and services and for average earnings of all employees industries and services covered by the monthly earnings inquiry released by the Department of Employment:

|        | (1)<br>Hourly<br>12/9<br>(July 31<br>1972<br>= 100) | (2)<br>Average<br>earnings<br>(Jan<br>1970<br>== 100) | Change<br>in (2)<br>over 3<br>months<br>at<br>whowal<br>rate |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1976   |                                                     |                                                       |                                                              |
| Jan    | 202.1                                               | 248.3                                                 | 15.9                                                         |
| Feb    | 206.4                                               | 250.0                                                 | 15.6                                                         |
| March  | 207.9                                               | 254.4                                                 | 10.6                                                         |
| April  | 210.1                                               | 255.0                                                 | 11.2                                                         |
| May    | 211,7                                               | 259.6                                                 | 16.3                                                         |
| June   | 216.6                                               | 251.2                                                 | 11.1                                                         |
| July   | 219.0                                               | 253.1                                                 | 13.3                                                         |
| August | 219.1                                               | 267.2                                                 | 12.2                                                         |
| Sept   | 219.2                                               | 256.1                                                 | 12.0                                                         |
| Oct    | 219.5                                               | 269.0                                                 | 5.0                                                          |
| Nov    | 220.7                                               | 272.2                                                 | 7.7                                                          |
| Dec p  | 221.5                                               | 277.3                                                 | 17.9                                                         |
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so far there are no indications of settlements outside the 41 per cent ceiling for basic rates. However, hourly rates of pay did rise more sharply during January then in preceding months, going up by 0.9 per cent, though here again too much should not be read into

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one month's figures. Thus, the broad picture which emerges is that basic rates of pay are still probably within the guidelines laid down by the Government and TUC policy. but that earnings are already nushing up against the upper limits of the forecast for them. Average surnings are generally thought to be the better indicator of the way the labour

market is moving.

One factor which confuses the situation is that it is not clear how far the figures are influenced by the fact that ensineering workers this year are settling locally, so that their nay increases are serving locally. pay increases are coming into the statistics throughout the vear rather than all at once, as hannened under the £6 policy.

a new round of pay restraint will be made more difficult in the coming months because higher than expected inflation th this will continue will be eating into living growing pressure on standards during this year is ngs of the pay policy, very clear.

conference staged by the com-

investment was a demonstra-tion of Cummins' confidence

and faith in the United King-

About £18m of the new investment will be spent on machine tools, mostly from

British manufacturers, and will

qualify for 20 per cent state

grants. Further grants from the

Scottish Development Agency will cover a proportion of the

Mr Henry B. Schacht, Cum-

mins' chairman and chief execu-

tive, said that when the new

plant was in full production,

the company's United Kingdom

employees, spread over three factories, would represent one-third of the Cummins total world labour force.

workers in the United Kingdom,

has sales exceeding £76m and exports 74 per cent of its United Kingdom output. Engine output is more than 27,000 units

a year and the new factory will boost this to 45,000 a year by

Cummins employs

building costs.

Mr Williams said that the

# Insurance Bill eases membership provisions

The Commons standing committee considering the Insurance Brokers (Registration) Bill yesterday accepted a redrafting of perhaps the most controversial aspect of the Bill. In doing so it legach disculled In doing so it largely dispelled fears that insurance broking might become a "closed shop". Main purpose of the Bill is the registration of insurance brokers, protecting the public by ensuring that the competence and conduct of brokers are sufficiently high and that their financial resources are

adequate.

It establishes an InsuranceBrokers Registration Council,
but there has been disagreement over a clause dealing with
qualifications for registration.

Now that clause has been removed in favour of more liberal
provisions.

provisions.

Mr John Page, Conservative
MP for Harrow, West, the Bill's
main sponsor, explained that
the redrafting took account of amendments put down to the old clause and the views of interested bodies.

Mr Robert McCrindle, Conservative MP for Brentwood and

Ongar and parliamentary con-sultant to the British Insurance Brokers Association, said the Bill embodied a dual requirement: to encourage the public to put their insurance affairs into the hands of the people who could truly look after them

and to prevent a closed shop.

The whole purpose of the new clause is to introduce a greater degree of elasticity into the criteria as to who can or cannot be described as an insurance broker, but not to introduce such elasticity as to

number the net would exclude was no greater in his opinion than the number that should be excluded in the public interest.
Mr Clinton Davis, Under
Secretary for Trade, said he
wanted to reserve the Government's position. It had assisted
Mr Page in producing his draft Mr Page in producing his draft

# Accountants ready to accept tribunal

By Christopher Wilkins
The Institute of Chartered Accountants is now prepared to accept in principle that a statutory body should be set up as the ultimate tribunal for considering complaints brought assigns accountants.

It is preparing draft propo-sals for submission to the Cross Committee, which has been set up to review investi-gatory and disciplinary proce-dures of the principal British accountancy bodies. Creation of the committee last October followed a series of incidents in which the competence and independence of accountants

was called into question.

The proposals have yet to be submitted to the institute's own council, but the broad out-

CBI chief

mandate for

By Malcolm Brown Mr John Methven, director

general of the Confederation of

British Industry, was given a

mandate by the CBI's Grand

Council yesterday to begin discussions with Mr Dell, Sec-

retary of State for Trade, on

worker participation below

This followed an invitation on

Tuesday from the Prime Minis-

ter to undertake such talks. Mr

Callaghan made the offer after

the CBI team had made it clear

that employers bad several

"sticking points" on the par-

ticipation issue from which

These were: the imposition

by law of union nominated

directors to company boards;

parity of representation for

union nominated and share-

holder elected directors; and

trade union monopoly in the choice of workers directors.

After yesterday's council meeting, Lord Watkinson, presi-dent of the CBI, said that his

understanding was that the Government was still committed

to legislation on participation, but it was his impression that the expected White Paper would come "later rather than

A team from the confeder-

later this mouth to put the

employer Budget proposals to him. Yesterday, the council had

before it a paper urging modi-

would cost £1,900m in 1977-78

and a tax relief provision for losses on company foreign currency borrowing which would cost about £100m. Several changes were made to this

they would not budge.

board level.

Dell talks

receives

The institute's objective appears to be to preserve a considerable degree of self-supervision while introducing some non-accountants into the

It is felt that non-accountants should be involved if the new procedure is to be acceptable to the public at large. At present the institute has an established procedure for taking up complaints where there is a clear case of error on the part of a member accountant. But it is not equipped to look into cases

where questions of poor judg-ment arise.

investigatory body, comprising members of the profession, should be set up to look into such complaints and decide whether a prima facie case of sufficient importance exists to merit further consideration. If it decides there is no

case, the complainant would have the right to appeal to an independent assessor, probably a distinguished lawyer, who would have the power to refer the matter back to the investigatory body with instructions to look into it. The issue would then go to a

new statutory tribunal made up of members of the accounwhere questions of poor judg-where questions of poor judg-ment arise.

It is now proposing that an with a lawyer as chairman.

case would lie with the investibody rather than the complainant, who might be either an aggrieved member of the public or one of the professional accountancy bodies.

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It is understood the institute has come round to the principle of a statutory body only with considerable reluctance. It now accepts, however, that a statutory basis would be essential if the tribunal were to have the proper powers to require the production of evi-dence and the calling of witnesses, without which the body would not be able to function

# rival suitors, Applied Digital Data Systems, claimed on Monday. Racal has again extended its offer by 24 hours and, unless further extended, it will close at 10 am (New York time) today. Whether the stalemate between the two sides is finally broken today remains to be seen, but the indications yester.

day were that Racal and ADDS were no nearer settling the issue amicably.

The two sides have been locked in combat for the best part of two-and-a-half months.

It was last December when Racal announced that it in-Racal announced that it intended to take a 15.5 per cent interest in Milgo, with which it has had a joint marketing and manufacturing company, based in Reading, for eight preempt a bid years, to preempt a hid approach from the thrusting ADDS group.

Then, after legal action by.
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ADDS to prevent the issue of these new shares, battle was joined in earnest when Racal made a full-scale approach.

During the past mouth Racal and ADDS have been involved in a bitterly fought auction to gain control of Milgo, with Racal progressively raising its terms from \$26 a share to \$36 and ADDS similarly raising the value of its cash and paper offer.

Within sight of victory and the promise of its dividend-boosting rights issue, Racal moved 12p higher to 275p on the stock market yesterday.

## Swiss accused of dumping watch The Federal Reserve Board precision parts

By Derek Harris Recession-hit Swiss watch

component makers, who have changed to the production of other precision components, have snatched around 25 per cent of the British makers' market by extensive price-cut-

ponents, usually selling at be-tween 20p to £1.50 per thousand in the trade, are being offered to British manufacturers sometimes at less than the cost in Britain of the basic raw materials, according to the Fasteners and Turned Paris

Institute.

The institute is investigating the situation before asking the Department of Trade to treat the Swiss imports as a possible the Swiss imports as a possible to the state of dumning. This was case of dumping. This was stated yesterday by Mr Patrick Doherty, the institute's chairman, who said the evidence so far suggested that the Swiss products were undercutting comparable British products on average by about 25 per cent. He said: "It seems obvious that, just to keep their businesses ticking over, the many, small Swiss component makers. (except for one or two major groups, it is a cottage industry) are simply selling at a loss. But this has been going on for nearly 18 months, and if it con-tinues much longer our men-

By Stephen Goodwin Parliamentary Staff

affect standards or the trust by the public.".

Mr McCrindle added that the

but time was needed to reflect and see whether, having come to so swift a decision about the

draft, it was absolutely right.

"Mr Page has enabled people to be given access to the regi-ster who are not only employees of insurance companies but also those in other occupations who may have acquired satisfactory and adequate experience. Mr Davis said.

enca", Mr Davis said.
Mr Page bad explained that individuals who had gained practical experience of insur-ance outside the insurance world. For example, they might have been handling clients' in-surance business in banks or firms of chartered accountants.

## Chrysler management and unions endorse draft planning agreement union support for every stage car market is still hovering of Chrysler's recovery took around 6 per cent, must be a much longer than expected and bitter disappointment. It was around 6 per cent, must be a bitter disappointment. It was hoped that with assembly of the Chrysler management and

union representatives yesterday endorsed the final draft of the joint planning agreement which was a condition of the Govern-ment's £162m rescue package

menrs 1.16.2m rescue package a year ago.

The draft will now go to Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, for approval.

It was originally intended that the planning agreement should set out the company's Business Plan for 1976 and 1977. 1977. However, the detailed negotiations necessary to win

Shares recovery

Monday's losses

Although most business was

crowded into the first hour and a half, shares had another good

session on the London stock

market yesterday and Monday's losses have been recovered.

The FT 30-share index

closed 9.1 ahead at 385.2, mak-

ing a two-day rise of almost 19 points and leaving it 3.7 ahead

of the level at the end of last

Dealers said that early trad-

helped sentiment along with a

shortage of stock which exag-gerated price rises.

the renewed hope of lower interest rates. Short dates

interest rates. Short dates gained up to half a point

eighths, and the long end of the

There was a more restrained

wipes out

By David Mott

Government stepped in last January, Chrysler has made steady pro-gress in reorganizing its pro-duction facilities—helped by a

the plan is now confined to

much improved atmosphere on the shop floor. Last year, the number of man-hours lost through strikes fell by 90 per

However, the fact that its share of the United Kingdom

Now Chrysler must wait until the summer for its sales to be boosted by the new small car code named 424—which goes into production at Linwood in about two months.
No future for deals? page 19

French-made Alpine switched to Ryton, near Coventry, and a face-lifted Avenger being pro-duced at Linwood, it would

increase its share to around

freeze damage to winter crops may tilt retail food prices upward a little more than had

been expected."

# Carter plans may add \$20,000m to deficit

From Frank Vogl Washington, Feb 16

President Carter plans increased public spending and a bigher federal budget deficit for the 1978 fiscal year that starts on October 1, according to informed sources.

The president is completing a large number of detailed 1976.

It adds, however, that the outlook for 1977 as a whole still suggests that food prices may average only about 3 to 4 per cent above the level in 1976. higher federal budget deficit

a large number of detailed changes to the 1978 budget approved last month by Mr Ford, the former President, announced that cold weather and natural gas shortages resulted in industrial produc-tion declining by a seasonally ing was a communition of the previous day's combination of bear " closing and, more importantly, "cheap buying.

Setrling's better showing which envisaged total outlays of \$440,000m (about £258,823m) and a deficit of \$47,000m. President Carter's plans may result in an increase

in the estimated deficit of up White House sources said today that the President aimed to complete his budget propo-

showing from gilts, even though sals on Satura - and that Mr trial output rose b Bert Lance, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, planned to announce the proposals on Monday after-

Considerable changes in the Ford programme are proposed. A special book will be published by the Administration lished by the Administration carly next week to outline these

early next week to outline these fully. The bulk of the spending increases are likely to centre on public works and social assistance programmes.

Government officials say that the substitution of President Carter's recently announced measures to stimulate the economy for the tax changes proposed by his predecessor will probably lead to a 1978 fiscal year budget deficit of about \$58,000m to \$61,000m, even if all of the other Ford budget proposals are maintained.

rears that the recent cold weather will severely weaken the prospects of forceful economic recovery may well lead to calls in the Congress for larger public spending than the President is likely to advocate. A series of official economic expirities present a conmic statistics present a con-fused picture of the economy's health

# and one-quarter better.

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

Hopes that air fares across the North Atlantic could be reduced by 8 per cent after the renegotiation of the Bermuda agreement covering services between Britain and the United States, were expressed yester-day by Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade.

Speaking to the transport section of the London Chamber of Commerce, he said there was a good deal of consumer dissatisfaction about air transport at the moment. The traveller wanted lower fares, not empty

If Britain's proposals were accepted, fares could be reduced by 8 per cent in real

Of the state-owned car company's 18 car ranges, 11 are out of production and truck

output at the company's Lan-cashire plants is being pro-gressively affected.

assaulting a foreman.

The strike, in the body plant, resulted in the company telling

790 workers not to report last night, and Ford says it doubts if the asembly plant will be able to continue working today, meaning further lay-olfs. An

appeal by the worker was un-

In brief

Britain has told the Ameri-

cans that it wants to draw up a new Bermuda agreement by June. The next meeting between the two sides is due to take place in Loadon on Pebruary 28.

# range was between one-eighth

terms, while still yielding a reasonable return to the air-

also receive a fairer share of the benefits from the North Atlantic services; capacity would be related to demand; airlines on both sides would achieve a reasonable profit, and the world would enjoy the bene-fits of competition, "without fits of competition, "without the waste which had character-ized the past".

# Minister hopes for 8pc cut in North Atlantic air fares

The United Kingdom would

are maintained.

Fears that the recent cold

The Department of Agricul-

## months. figures were "more tentative than usual". The board said that indus-

cent in December. The industrial production index had advanced 4.6 per cent over the past year to 131.5 (1967 equals A substantial \$747m increase

adjusted 1 per cent last month—the largest drop in 23

in manufacturing and trade inventories in December was reported today by the Department of Commerce. Inventories rose by \$24,200m last year after a fall of \$2,900m in 1975.

Inventories and final sales have been gathering momentum in recent months and the figures add further strength to predictions that real gross national product in the current quarter will show much greater growth than the 3 per cent rise in the final 1976 quarter, despite the cold weather. Mr Charles Schultze, chairman of the Council of Econo-

mic Advisers, said in an inter-view in today's Wall Street Journal that the cold weather was likely to reduce the cur-rent quarter's annual gross national product rate by about 1.5 to 2 per cent, with a real GNP rate of 3.5 to 4.5 per cent.

bers are going to be increas-ingly affected."

There had been increasing He stressed, however, that the economy was likely to grow at a much faster rate in the second and third quarters.

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Mr Schacht: big increase in United Kingdom employees.

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Company Meeting Reports: Compair General Accident Interim Statements: 21 21 Throgmorton Trust

A strike by 1,300 workers at the car body plant at Castle Bromwich is having the greatest effect—the shortage of body shells and pressings has shut down car assembly at several Jaguar, Mini, Rover 3500 and Triumph production are all Dagenbam dispute makes 700 idle A walkout by 360 men at Ford, Dagenham, is threatening the loss of 350 Cortinas and 170 Haite for small denomination bank only as supplied yesterday by Bar Bank International Lid Different apply to travellers' cheques and travellers' cheques and Fiestas a day from today. The action is in sympathy with a man dismissed for allegedly

Strikes halt 25,000 Leyland jobs More British Leyland workers were laid off yesterday as the disruption caused by various disputes worsened. The will now idle, either because they are on strike or have been sent home, now stands at almost Vietnam seeks \$50m

Vietnam has begun to borrow from Western banks in the Eurodollar market. According to a newsletter published by the Bank of America, Vietnam has sought at least three loans totalling nearly \$50m from foreign banks in Hongkong in the east two menths. the past two months. According to sources in London, French hanks are believed to be in the forefront of those interested in ending to Vietnam.

More ECGD backing h'r Dell Secretary of State for Trade, yesterday revealed there was an increase of over 46 per cent in the value of

ment between April and December last year, compared with the 1975 period. Massey peace meeting Strikers who have closed Massey-Ferguson's Coventry tractor plant for the past eight weeks have been called to a

short-term export business in-sured by the Government-run Ex-

port Credits Guarantee Depart-

meeting tomorrow by officials of the Amalgamated Union of of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers. Mr Philip Povey, the union's

he hoped the breakthrough made ar Monday's meeting with management would form "the basis for an honourable settlement of what has become a long and painful dispute".

IATA condemns levy A government proposal to make airline passengers pay the cost of airport security measures has been condemned by the executive committee of the International Air Transport

Association.

The committee, meeting in Zurich, said it could see no justification for singling out airline passengers. It believed such discrimination contravened international law as well as reversing the British posi-tion in the International Civil Aviation Organization and the European Civil Aviation Con-

Opec price accord near

Economic experts from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries are close to reaching a compromise on the two-tier pricing system at their meeting in Vienna, the Kuwaiti newspaper As-Seyasseh reported yesterday. However there was no confirmation that Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates would agree to a further 2 per cent price rise in return for a 2 per cent reduction by the other 11 members



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# **CEI** attacks plan for engineering inquiry

By Derek Harris The Council of Engineering Institutions—only now putting through some modernization of its structure after two years of argument among its 15 chartered organization members— yesterday attacked the idea of a government inquiry into the

engineering profession. An inquiry is "neither necessary nor desirable", according to Sir Charles Pringle, CEI chairman. He has told the Prime Minister that setting up an inquiry would introduce a further period of uncertainty just as the profession-with the help of the CEI's new structure was achieving a new unity and stability.

But there is a split within the CEI on the inquiry issue. Two cf its most powerful member organizations—the Institution of Mechanical Engineers and the Institution of Electrical Engin-eers—have told the Government they support the idea of an inouiry.

'Among other strong voices raised for an inquiry is that of Mr John Lyons, general secretary of the Electrical Power Engineers Association.

Whether CEI's opposition to an inquiry will deflect the Covernment is open to doubt. Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, who had been asked by the Prime Minister to make an early recommendation on what to do about the profes-sion, is believed to have decided in principle to go ahead.

The CEI letter points out that an inquiry, backed by Mr Varley, is already being carried out into professional questions like education and recruitment by the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

But the protagonists of a full government inquiry into the profession point out that the British Association inquiry is more limited in its scope and has been fied to a fight schedule.

In order to honour the understanding reached with

the United Kingdom industry in Tokyo at the end of less year, Japanese relevision receiver

manufacturers will have to re-duce total deliveries to the United Kingdom market this

Latest industry estimates sug-

gest a further decline in con-sumer offtake this year and with

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# West German economists point to | Association marked upturn in end-1976 growth

From Peter Norman Bonn, Feb 17

After a period in the doldrums last summer, the West German economy appears to have entered a phase of strong growth towards the end of 1976 In two separate reports, the West German Federal Bank and the West Berlin economic research institute D1W today spoke of a sharp increase in domestic demand and production in November and December last year.

According to the latest monthly report of the Federal Bank, Germany's real Gross National Product grew at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 6 per cent in the final quarter of last year. Compared with the third quarter, seasonally adjusted GNP was up by 1.5 per cent in real terms in the last three months of last year.

True to form, the Federal Bank was the more circumspect in describing developments. It said the continuation of the recovery in the economy after the summer pause was based primarily on a strong growth in domestic demand for finished products. Alongside private demand forconsumer gods—in

particular motor cars-industry between the favourable statiswas less reserved in its invest- cal data and the widespread ment purchasing towards the end of the year.

The WIW went further. It months. said that there was an "extra-ordinarily strong" revival in investment towards the end of 1976, supporting the view that Germany was begining a "self-sustaining" recovery in industrial investment. It forecast that real GNP in the first quarter of this year would be about 5 per ent up on a year ago. Although unem

unemployment reached one and a quarter mil-lion at theend of last month, the two reports taken together should reinforce the Bonn government in its determination not to embark on a policy of general relfation.

The Federal Bank pointed out in its report that because of structural factors, unemploy ment could be reduced only gradually. Export demand continued to sustain economic activity in West Germany and the stock of foreign orders in hand would appear to guarantee a strong export growth in the

The Federal Bank's report rather less happy about collec-referred to the marked contrast tive wage bargaining.

uncertainty and pessimism in hosiness circles over the past

It acknowledged that the continuation of the present "truly positive development" of the economy was hedged with risks associated mainly with the un-certain outlook for the world economy, the fear of excessive wage settlements at home, and doubts as to whether further progress can be achieved this year in cutting back the public

sector's borrowing requirement. For the Federal Bank's economists in Frankfurt, the world economic outlook would appear to be the least problematical

Their report claimed that forecasts that the world economy would enter a new period of weakness were based on indicators available up to the beginning of last autumn, and that in the meantime many countries had produced more optimistic forecasts of economic trends.

The bank showed itself to be

# **Building industry 'poorly** placed to meet recovery'

Despite its present severe under-utilization of capacity, the construction industry is "ill-equipped to take on the kind of work which is there to be done", Mr John Cuckney, chairman of the Building Economic Development Committee said in London yesterday.

Speaking to the National Federation of Building Trades Employers conference, entitled
"Construction's road to
recovery", Mr Cuckney said
the "fundamental question"
concerned the ability of the

to the British Radio Equipment

Manufacturers' Association.
Market estimates suggest a
further decline which could be
as low as 1.35 million when

scrapping of older sets by the rental companies is taken into

It is thought that the moon-

chrome market, which last year

grew by 7 per cout to just over 1 million sets, will at best

remain stagnant.
This further shrinking of the
British television receiver mar-

ket could have serious reper-

cussions on the understanding reached with the Japanese, In the colour sector the

He said it would be "sheer lunacy to go on dreaming about production of large numbers of three-hedroomed houses", in the face of the declining birth rate. However, be pointed out that in the housing sector there are some two million "actual or poten-tial slums" which needed replacing or converting.

A 10-year programme to eradicate what is left of sub-

standard dwellings and to provide a better match between the people looking for housing and the available accommoda-tion would put a tremendous burden on the industry.

industry as at present struc-tured "to cope with the changes in its market and grasp the opportunities which exist". Deal may cut Japanese TV imports

Japanese indicated that they would not increase their market mare above present levels. The most sensitivity, however, is likely to be found in the monochrome sector, especially in the market for portable sets. Nearly 80 per cent of all mono chrome sets delivered last year

to retailers were portables and Japan took just over 30 per cent of the market. Overall in the monochrome sector Japanese imports took 24.5 per cent. sonel savings", In the first of these, on divi-The Tokyo agreement is understood to have included an

dend control, the Exchange criticizes dividend limitations because of the distortions undertaking by the Japanese to restrict their market share to 20 per cent in 1977. caused to capital markets.

# cloud on the horizon.

ownership.

## SE calls for **Budget** incentive to savings

By Our Financial Staff The Stock Exchange yester day called for a reduction in the taxation of savings and an end to dividend control in its pre-Budget submission to the Chancellor.

Government policy has concentrated for too long on en-couraging consumption at the expense of savings and investexpense of savings and investment by the private sector and only when this policy is reversed will the economy be put right, the Stock Exchange argues. Criticizing the sharp rise in public spending since 1970 the E-phane helicage that 1970 the Exchange believes that once this is reduced the way is open for tax cuts.

After the sale of £1,000m or more of equities by the private sector in recent years, the Stock Exchange urges the Covernment to encourage private investors to put their savings back into industry by abolishing the investment income surcharge and ending expital gains tex, reducing taxation on secuing the contract stamp.

Also announced yesterday is a series of "commentary leaflets" to spread the message for investment, profit and per-

# joins protest over CCA proposals

By Our Financial Staff
Another voice has added to the growing volume at the Protest directed Current Cost Accounting pro-posals issued by the Morpeth Committee—that of the Equip-ment Leasing Association. Morpeth's Exposure Draft 18

has suggested, among other things, that leased assets should appear i the balance sheets of lessees rather than the current practice of using an off-balance sheet note.

These proposals were totally illogical", Mr Smart Errington, ELA's chairman said yesterday. "It is central to our business, which is ownership, that we provide equipment on a hired basis as a revenue item."

The RTA holds that a lease The ELA holds that a lease

is a contract under which the lessee has possession and use of a specific asset on payment of specified rental over a period, while the lessor retains

A chance to represent these views will come later in the vear, possibly in May, when the ELA will be represented on an Institute of Chartered Accountmats working party headed by Mr Paul Rutteman e accountancy firm, Young McClelland Moores,

The working party will be issuing two exposure drafts, one on the impact of Morpeth on lessors and the other on Objection from clients to

Morpeth's proposed treatment of leasing is almost universal, Mr Errington claimed, although British Oxygen International and Dunlop are two notable exceptions and they have already capitalized leased assets, with the present value of rental obligations shown as a liability.

Taking in about 90 per cent of all leasing business transacted in the United Kingdom, the ELA purchased £421,000m of new assets for lease to custom ers in 1976, an increase of 25 per cent on the previous year.

In a static overall investment climate, the leasing industry's share of all plant and equipment investment during the year grew from about 5 per cent to 7 per cent.

"When we consider that be-tween 60 per cent and 70 per cent of all new capital expenditure is paid for out of retained earnings?, Mr Errington added, "then the leasing industry is seen as contributing more than 20 per cent of investment financed from external sources."

The number of contracts ritten last year fell by a tenth but their value rose The ELA's target for leasing's share of total plant and equip-ment spending this year is 10

# Hongkong watch complaints

electronic watch manufacturers in Hongkong are getting a growing numbe of complaints about poo quality, although there is no evidence so far that orders have been deflected to other Asian suppliers. Nevertheless,

watch industry, which has been exporting to the United Kingdom among other markets, could suffer a setback, according to the Asian Wall Street

Carter Semiconductor says the difficulty arises from the industry's rapid growth, fac-tories having increased production to meet strong overseas demand before they had learned fully how to control quality. It had been claimed in West Germany that in some Hongkong shipments as many as 40 per cent of the watches did not work, AP-Dow Jones reports.

## \$800m Saudi contract for Dow Chemical

Saudi Arabia and Dow Chemical Co are reported to have signed an \$800m (about £470m) contract to build a petrochemical complex in the industrial province of Jubail, in the eastern part of the king-

As reported from Riyadh, the contract calls for Dow Chemi-cal and Petromin, the Saudi state-controlled petroleum and minerals organization, to set up a joint company to handle the project. Petromin will have a majority share.

## Bonn approves Iran stake in Krupp

West Germany's Cartel Office yesterday gave conditional approval to Iran's plan to take a 25.01 per cent stake in Fried Krupp GmbH, parent company of the Krupp group. Iran can go ahead with the acquisition, provided Walther und Cie AG, a member of the Krupp group, reduces its influence over EVI Energie und Verfahrenstechnik GmbH, of Stuttgart, in which it holds a one-third stake. The Cartel Office said it was

necessary for Krupp to reduce its hold over EVT because of the existing 33.92 per cent stake Iran has in the capital of Deutsche Babcock AG.

# Montedison bidding

for Siberia project Montedison is negotiating a major chemical contract with the Soviet Union. Company officials in Milan say an agree-

ment is close. Montedison confirmed yesterday that the negotiations were under way, but declined to give further details. It was understood, however, that the com-pany might participate in a con-tract to build a huge petro-chemical plant in Siberia.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

today's managers—many

country.

achieving little.

Yours faithfully,

higher tax and other penalties-

# Motivating the managers Efficient use of Britain's who motivate the men

Sir, The recent report on Motivation of British Management", published by Opinion Research Centre, has been commented on at some length by a number of contributors to your columns during the past few

As well as endorsing much that has been written by your correspondents, I should like to add some further observa-

the tasks facing all managers today are greater than ever before. The challenges and pressures have markedly increased. Industry and commerce are highly complex, requiring exceptional dedication and skills if they art to be managed successfully.

There is, too, a mounting

groundswell of opinion in fav-our of change: industrial democracy, while it may be a omewhat vague phrase, nevertheless indicates a stronger desire for employee participa-tion at all levels. And this in itself betokens an even higher demand upon managers inspire, to motivate and to lead by consent. Such demand is not, of course, confined to the United Kingdom, Indeed, British-based companies with international trading connections are particularly aware of similar trends elsewhere in the world. In overseas countries, the in-reasing demand upon managers is properly recognized and commensurately rewarded. This simply has not happened in the United Kingdom, where, during the last three years alone, rewards to managers have declined substantially in real

bairman, EMI Group of Companies, 20 Manchester Square, London, WIA 1ES. February 14. terms, despite the much more onerous requirements placed

# Confidential information and banks

From Mr W. Aspinall Sir, On February 10 an article appeared following correspondence relating to the National Union of Bank Employees, suggesting that their members were concerned that they were at times concealing tax evasion. NUBE are now suggesting that the whole subject is worthy of public debate.

The Council of Bank Staff Associations (CBSA) is the majority trade union in the English clearing banks, representing 85,000 members, and at no time have we beard from our members that they would wish to pass on confidential information to anyone. Bankers have a professional conduct to maintain and value the relationship with their customers.

The question of public debate does not come into it, the whole subject seems to be in the minds of a minority of union officials. Yours faithfully, WILFRED ASPINALL,

General Secretary, Council of Bank Staff Associations, Whitehall Place, London, SWL

From Mr B. P. D. White Sir, Messrs Pearson and Barnett (February 8) wax indignant at Mr Vose's proposal (February 1) that bank staff should be encouraged to report tax encouraged to report tax evaders to the Inland Revenue. Burgling, bousebreaking, shoplifting, pilfering, mugging, tax evading, etc, etc, are all forms of theft so why in the world reporting anyone responsible to the authorities should be leading to a police state defies the imagination of any law-abiding citizen.

Tax evaders are an increased tax burden to other taxpayers as indeed are TV avoiders to the holders.

A free country should discourage any form of crime, for freedom without responsibility can only lead to disastrous chaos. Yours faithfully.

B. P. D. WHITE, Stanton Drew Bristol BS18 4EN. February 9

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This disturbing drift is hav. From Mr David Crabbe . Sir, Mr Goddard (Febr ing its effect not only upon and Dr McMullan (Febr whom are not at all keen to have taken me to task content of my letter wb published on February 2 accept promotion because of but also upon the would-be managers of tomorrow. They not my intention to di the electricity versus gas feel daunted by what can only but to try and compare to tive merits of these fuel be described as unnecessarily blunted career prospects in this context of overall Unite dom energy requiremen

All of our to remind onself what man-agement's overall task invariably is—persuading and motivating people. In industry and commerce it is likely also to mean taking sensible risks rather than "playing safe" and Surely we do not want "play safe" management in this country. We desperately need managers who are

Your correspondents have concentrated too, paring the inefficiencies prepared to apply their technical skills wholeheartedly, and to demonstrate their ing this approach rathetive. In the domestic innovative ability and entre-preneurial flair. Managers will there is no doubt that ? not be motivated, let alone all efficiency of grapproaching 70 per c varying loads, is readily able by sensible applia inspired to motivate the people they are supposed to be lead-ing, unless they have a clear sign, appropriate instant and regular servicing also true for oil-fired at sense of purpose and recogni-I agree with Lord Plowden's assertion (February 11) that the creation of wealth is a fuel systems. Electric never achieve better the

matter of priority. To achieve this, and the consequent well-being of everyone in this occurring in the home inefficient appliances is: country, requires purposeful effort and high morale, generated by effective manage-ment. This is what is et risk. ment by superior equipm not a changeover to herently more inefficie. Yours sincerely, DAVID CRABBE, Energy Research Group The Open University Walton Hall,

Milton Keynes MK7 6A February 9.

fuel resource

It is relevant, in this context, conservation effort. resources, coal included, valuable to squander an fore the accent needs t applications. For examp grade coal would be better in combined heat and schemes, and, in the fur manufacturing synthetic

## Small business's 'higher quality of investment'

From Mr David Mitchell, Con- only through competitiservative MP for Basingstoke Sir, Small businesses are highlighted by David Howell (February 1) in relation to their flexibility and their potential in job creation. There is, however, another factor which could, with advantage, be considered; I refer to the higher quality of investment in the small firms It is one of the saddest inter-

national comparisons that the return on investment and productivity of new equipment in UK industry is, on average, dramatically lower than in our

main industrial competitors. It is just as Luddite for trade unious to insist on over-manning and consequent low productivity as to smash up machinery and assume that this will lead to more jobs. It is

production and delivery that jobs can be easure In the small firm the better understanding reality so that better made of available equi —alas, often too little tax-sick sector of our ec In addition, so often ri-prietors of small firms invest their own mone breeds its own very form of discipline I in si the crucial area of secure the best use of resources, the small firm a special contribution. Yours faithfully, DAVID MITCHELL, Chairman, Conservative. Business Bureau,

# The new Estate of the Realm

From Lady Burton of Coventry logy today obviously Sir, On many occasions over have been centimetre b. the past 27 years and leatly on. The consumer estate February 18, 1975, you been good enough to publish letters from me on the problem of the consumer interest' heing recognized as an entity in itself-comparable to both sides of industry—with real in-

Starting in the early fiftles with textiles and progressing (if that be a true description) through many areas to airlines we have now reached Bullock. May I support the formula put forward by Dr Michael Young on February 5, namely 2X+C, where C stands for consumer.

Sir, it is a hard road. In the Lords on February 3 I did speak of making progress inch by inch: the correct termino-

February 9.

Realm and should be nized as such. Is this redemocracy?
Yours faithfully BURTON OF COVENTR House of Lords. February 7. From Mr D. J. Foskett ...

Sir, "How can he get whose talk is of bu Ecclesiasticus xp Yours faithfully, D. J. FOSKETT, Librarian,

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With rising costs and inflation running at its present with the fluctuating value of sterling, the bourt will eventually vision trade has many problems, says the Chairman, Mr D' la large if market to make progress and look forward to another good year.

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The Board of Directors announce the following unaudited interim revenue aparty for the six months ended on 31st January, 1977.

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Based on middle market prices for all securities and deducting the company's debenture  $\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}$  by fundamental price. At a meeting of the Board of Directors held today it was resolved that an interim dividend 15° net (1976—2.45°) be paid on 4th April, 1977, in respect of the year to 31st July, 1, a falking shareholders on the register as at 11th March, 1977.

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# BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

# **UDT** prunes its balance sheet

w the proforms balance hich United Dominions out out yesterday with rim figures, disposals run down on both the and the instalment business are between w making quite an in-the group's financial

the sales of United ns Corporation ), effective from the January, and of the and New ealand subthe group has shed some from each side of ince sheet, as well as in some £14m on the hich has been used to overseas borrowings

ndings on the property portfolio have been cut to £103m over the r; and the instalment usiness, 100, has been f slowly, against the in-md. The net result has reduction in deposit, and other accounts 64m to £809m, some f which relates to the lingdom businesses. at figure, plus subordi-ans and loan capital um £53m to £43m, still e group highly geared owing for a hefry tax increased minorities a £2.8m in exceptional net loss at the attri-evel at the intering has shareholders funds 9m to £31.7m. And leboat lenders still de for over £300m of n-odd of United King-

e same, with profitmproving as interest I and the fixed-rate runs off, it looks as preference dividend are likely to be rey the year-end. A in of the ordinary is entirely beyond the assuming that the wo big shareholders, nd Eagle Star, or other o not move to provide ured "final solution"

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ted Kingdom textile is on the mend it is too early to get cited about the re-Carrington Viyelia's fits at £12m—more le the previous £5.6m he decisive improve-Nottingham Manufacl sharp improvements ol companies, which the cotton the business

rington the gearing nued to benefit the sturn (trading profits
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f a £1.5m increase in charges to £6.8m, tly reflects a rise in but also the effects interest rates and a

rprise is reorganiza-s of £1.7m (against ost of which occurred cond half as a result osing of a factory in Rationalization durdownswing should yover while the bene-

improved margins— e only 19½ per cent £278m—are already ising by between 35 r cent last year cotton ve levelled off easing ures on Carrington nited Kingdom was atter towards the end

ar and a total year-r book 29 per cent an a year earlier is of a continuing overssibility of a slackenafter the initial re-



Mr Leonard Mather, chairman United Dominions Trust:

pound but analysts are going for £18m profits this year, and a yield of 10! per cent at 27!p (up ip) on a twice covered divi-dend, has its attractions, Final: 1976 (1975) Capitalization £38.5m Sales £278m (£233m) Pre-tax profits £12.0m (£5.6m) Earnings per share 3.76p (1.64p) Dividend gross £9p (2.63p)

Grand Metropolitan **Improving** 

the ratios Central to Grand Metropolitan's strategy since the capital spending spree of three years ago have been efforts to improve its balance sheet ratios. And the message from the latest annual accounts is that despite the damage caused by sterling's fall the group is at least moving in the right direction, albeit at a snail's pace, which may explain why the shares have not been one of the prime beneficiaries of the decline in interest rates over the past three months.

Gearing still remains uncom-fortably high although over the past year a commendable reig on working capital and the benefits of the rights issue has helped lower it against shareholders' funds and deferred

Moreover, that would fall to 85 per cent if the 10 per cent loan stock were converted though the shares need to rise by around a quarter from their current 67p to induce holders

to do this. Meanwhile, Grand Met has Meanwhile, Grand Met has managed to weather the effects of the drop in sterling on its £160m overseas loan book (£23m higher than the previous year) reasonably well, though with overseas liabilities £12m short-covered by assets that has still entailed a more than doubled extraordinary loss of £11.7m after asset sales. Now that it is over the hump of its capital spending, which Grand Met spending, which Grand Met expects to pay off handsomely soon, cash flow is also looking healthier at £32m.

Accounts: 1975-76 (1974-75) Capitalization £202m Net Assets (£252m (£244m) Borrowings £524m (£514m) Pre-tax profit £57.1m (£42m) Earnings per share 7.25p

Interest rates Waiting for the next move

Few on Monday evening would have predicted so rapid a recovery for the equity market, yet the ground lost in Monday's sharp shake-out has already been more than recouped. Although gilts have not fully clawed back Monday's losses and the yield on local authority yearlings moved up a norch on Tuesday, the market still seems to feel that there may be scope for a further small fall in shortterm interest rates in the near term, and some have even been specularing on a marginal cut

MLR. It may well be that the Bank will eventually have to drop MLR back into line with the which imports have market if market rates fail to by the fall in the re-trigger the normal MLR formula of their own accord. But given the continuing concern about the pay negotiations and e major economic indicators money supply excepted— ere seems little ostensible ason for the Bank to be in

any great hurry.
As far as the clearing bank base rates go, money market rates would certainly seem to point to some scope for a fur-ther cut. But whether banks will keen to make any move as yet is another matter : a certain amount may well depend on where the latest set of monthly figures—yesterday being make-up day—show them to be in relation to the "corset".

Albright & Wilson Better than

forecast The market was right to treat Albright & Wilson's interim forecast of similar second half results as being conservative, for Albright saw another trading upturn towards the end of the year. The outcome being profits 71 per cent ahead at £31.6m after an admittedly depressed £18.5m in 1975.

Raw materials for determent

Raw materials for detergent manufacture are still the largest profit contributor although it is likely that, in contrast with 1975, this business accounted for less than half total profits last year. Meanwhile Canada suffered a

downturn from earlier buoyant trading in industrial phosphates but as the world's larges sodium chlorate producer (with the new sodium chlorate cell in

from the pulp industry.

With a low 40 per cent tax charge, due partly to £2.6m of exchange gains, earnings per share have come out slightly better than expected at 15.1p to give a p/e ratio of 6 with the shares up 1p to 91p yesterday. The shares can be volatile and may now be subject to some sensitivity since growth this year is likely to be much more pedestrian although a 7 cent yield is reasonable in

Final: 1975 (1975) Sales £285m (£227m) Pre-tax profits £31.6m (£18.5m) Earnings per share 15.1p (9.1p) Dividend gross 6.35p (5.77p)

General Accident

American indications

United States results from General Accident are never entirely straightforward and such was the case yesterday when the market initially became jittery about a statutory underwriting loss which seemed to indicate a 20 per cent deterioration during 1976 after conversion at \$1.70. After accounting adjustments and procuration expenses, however, GA will be ta kin an under-writing loss of around £111m into its world-wide accounts this time, much the same as in 1975. Moreover, an operating ratio of 104), against 1064, reflect s or 1043, against 1063, retlect since a final quarter operating ratio of 102.2, against a third quarter of 100.3, probably masks some reserving against possibilities t hrown up by the United States freeze, or, more specifically, worries about the damage that a sudden thaw mighe do.

More encouraging for GA is that there was only a small loss on United Kingdom underwrit-ing in the final quarter. Given that GA took storm and sub-sidence losses on its home-owners' account last year of around £61m and that there has been an 85 per cent response in favour of its index linked home insurance from policy-holders with all that means for premiums, there is real recovery

scope for 1977. At 170p, then, yielding 5} per cent and selling at around eight times likely 1976 earnings, GA looks among the best of the composite bunch with its well-spread United States business uble to take up the potential

# No future for planning agreements?

Notwithstanding the "breakthrough" disclosed last night
in the Cnryster company's
negotiations with its work force
Mr Eric Varley, Secretary of
State for Industry, must sooner
or later admit defeat in the
Government's long running
struggle to interest industry in
signing planning agreements.

struggle to interest industry in signing planning agreements. Ever since his predecessor, Mr Wedgwood Benn, was so suddenly transferred to the Department of Energy (where he has been markedly successful in winning oil giants over to participation deals), the issue has been allowed to cool. But even Mr Varley's softly softly policy has not produced softly policy has not produced the results expected by his party onthusiasts and trade union leaders.

Ministers have begun to describe industry's response as "disappointing" and just recently there has been miniscently there has been minis-terial discussion on whether a threat to make agreements a condition of state aid might compel more urgent consider-ation of joint strategic plan-ning by big companies.

Certainly the existing offer the guarantee certain levels of

to guarantee certain levels of regional aid to companies has not been a sufficient incentive. At this stage threats of making conditions for state assistance which go beyond that original offer, which was written into the Industry Act, are just talk. The Department of industry is apparently making a fresh strempt to interest companies before seriously considering such a

It is now 18 months since the department issued a discussion document on the contents of a planning agreement. Its aim was not to draw up a model to which agreements must con-form, rather to identify the issues and develop an approach that would command wide-spread support and upon which the Government proposed to build case by case.

The document was greeted with scorn, innocent though it seemed after Mr Benn's more radical views. The idea is that companies should pool and discuss with the Government their ideas and views of prospects, reaching voluntary agreements on corporate plans and helping government to become more gware of industry's needs.

For trade unionists, agree-ments would provide an opportunity to take part in discussion of companies' plans and to par-ticipate in decision making "at the formative stage

Industry is suspicious because of the discretion allowed to government to decide what is a planning agreement, and be-cause of what, if it signed one, the Whitehall machine might do, when it has important powers over disclosure and when the role to be played by trade unions seems ambiguous in the sensitive area of com-mercial decision taking.

number of companies have dragged on for some time and Parliament is still awalting the first batch of long promised statements that these have been satisfactorily concluded. As one major company told me recently: "We would sign a planning agreement tomorrow we could do it our way, which we feel is sensible and fully reflects our experience in dealing with government and our people. We are not re-assured by the way in which government sees planning agreements and so we will not

sign one."

Just before last Easter the Government disclosed that six companies had entered into what is grandly called "operative discussions" with a view to signing planning pacts. They were Babcock & Wilcox, Clarke Chapman, Head Wrightson, and Whessoe—these four confining tha talks to their process plant the talks to their process plant fabricating interests—and GEC and Revrolle Parsons, who were concerned only for their turbogenerator interests.
Also, British Leyland and

Chrysler UK, one now owned by the National Enterprise Board for the state and the other nourished by public monies and guarantees, have undertaken to negotiate agree-ments. Even the latter two

motor vehicle producers have been a long time signing, in spite of the obvious capacity of government to twist some arms. The word is that British Leyland's fountain pens will be out

very shortly.

In the public sector three nationalized industries last June agreed to enter into talks, bu little more has been heard. As far as the process plant and generator companies are con-cerned, their detailed discus-sions are somewhat over-shadowed by the prospect of a reorganization after the Central Policy Review Staff's contribution to the Government's protracted review of power station building programmes.

As far as can be established the NEE, which is proving a highly secretive organization, has not been putting much pressure on the likes of Rolls-Royce, Ferranti, ICL and Herbert, Its role in promoting planning agreements is confused and

If the programme of planning agreements does make progress, the NEB "may be asked from time to time, with the agree-ment of the company con-cerned, to take action in support of planning agreement proposals". But confidential in-formation provided to the Government by a company in its planning agreement discus-sions cannot be available to the NEB without the prior consent of the company.

Nor should the NEB, accor ing to government policy guid-ance to Lord Ryder, take share-ito-lings in such companies without first consulting the appropriate Whitehall depart

With these qualifications it is not surprising that the plauning agreement pioneers of Babcock & Wilcox, Clarke, Chapman, GEC and Reyrolle Parsons have not yet concluded their deals. No one is too sure where the NEB's in-fluence will be felt after the recent "Think Tank" proposals for mergers and restructuring. Curiously, industry has per-haps already lost one benefit which was open to it if any com-pany with strong employment in development areas had

signed a pact Regional employ ment premius is now being withdrawn, but a signatory might arguably have had this underwritten before that de-One big stumbling block for

companies who have at the Government's pleading ex-amined the concept of planning agreements is the occeptance of the role of trade unions in any negotiated arrangements. There are worries about security, the position of union representatives when told of forward plans requiring un-pleasant but necessary decisions and the impact on existing consultative arrangements for all employees, act just unionized

Companies want to develop participative arrangements tallored to their individual participative needs, as evidenced by the hostile response to the Bullock report on industrial democracy. They see planning alongside government as best developed within the tripartite framework used for industrial sectors. The enthusiasm for the indus

trial strategy exercise is proof of a willingness to accept more detailed planning. Companies can work well with government without the necessity of indi-vidual planning agreements. For its part, the Department

of Industry is pleased by the fast developing industrial strategy and it has to decide some-time this year whether it wants to quietly bury planning agreements or to stir up controversy again by some threatening noises over the lack of progress, which may well endanger the

which may well endanger the indurrial strategy.

What looks certain is that by the end of this year no more than half a dozen companies will have signed up, and most of these will not be voluntary arrangements freely entered into by concerns not seeking abnormal nourishment by the Exchequer or some favoured change in government policy.

# The economic consequences of Mr Healey

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Denis Healey has been Chancellor for three years, less a fortnight. It is time to look at the record.

Chancellors come in three types: the "let her rip" school; the innovators; and the recession.

In the first category we find Dalton, Butler, Amory, Maudling and Barber.

In the second group are Chancellors the pears of the pear

In the second group are Cripps (planning and the first pay freeze), Macmillan (the "savings" budget), Selwyn Lloyd (the purchase tax regulator and the National Economic Development, Council), Cel. Development Council), Callaghan (capital gains and corporation taxes, investment grants, selective employment poration tax, regional employment premium, special drawing rights and the public expenditure survey) and again— Barber (abolition of purchase tax, of Bank rate, of the clear-ing banks' cartel, of the pound's fixed exchange rate, as well as the introduction of value-added tax and the proposal that the International Monetary Fund should adopt an SDR-standard).

The hard men include Cripus (again), Gairskell, Thorneycroft, Selwyn Llovd (again), Jenkins and now Healey. Thus, paradoxically, Tory Chancellors have been predominantly inpostors and expansionists novators and expansionists while Labour Chancellors have provided one expansionist one innovator and four iron Chan-

cellors.

This has to some extent been due to accidents of history and to the misfortunes which Labour Cabinets are prone to bring upon themselves, to say nothing of the greater benefit of doubt, which financial markets have habitually given to Conservative governments. In Denis Healey's case the imperatives of hard times and a battling temperament (most of battling temperament (most of the time) have coincided. He would doubtless have liked to have been an innovator.

He was serious about wanting to introduce a wealth tax, which in the right form could have ben an oportunity for a major rationlization of capital taxation in Britain.

He did sponsor the "Healey

plan for recycling petro-dollars through the Inter-national Monetary Fund. He has presided over a very con-siderable tightening up of pubexpenditure particularly through cash limits

The outline of

a fairly solid performacne detaches itself from the epbemeral blunders

and rationing of the contingency reserve, which had been much weakened in the Barber years and which was shown, by the great inflation of midwould doubtless also He

and the industrial strategy are important developments in the techniques of economic management. This is harder to accept since the social contract is another round of old-fashioned pay restraint or it is nothing; and the industrial strategy is nothing or it is a commendable resolution not to persist with those aspects of the Labour Party's programme which are particularly calculated to de-industrialize Britain in the shortest possible order.

But in general one does not make-and-mend in a hurricane and the Chancellor's job has been on deck, not in the design been on deck, not in the design office. As the perspective of history draws out and as the personal solecisms fade from the memory the outline of a fairly solid performance detaches itself from the more ephemeral blunders and mis-

To be sure there were mistakes. It was an error to sup-pose that the deflationary effects of the oil-producing countries payments surpluse could or should be neutralized by budgetary deficits in oil consuming countries, least of all

Maurice Corina in Britain.

Germany and the United

stockpile of 2,000 machines,

smoothing over a cash crisis.
GEC production and market

ing experts have also moved into the factory near Coventry.

Now Business Diary learns that cider makers H. P. Bulmer of Hereford are stepping into

sponsor Meriden's entry into circuit racing with a hotted-up version of the 750cc twin cylinder Triumph Bonneville.

Last night Bulmer's refused

to give details of their generosity but confirmed that they will tell all at a meeting at Meriden on Wednesday.

Before the 1973-74 sit in which

led to the cooperative's take-over from Norton Villiers Triumph, Triumph machines

had many racing successes, par-ticularly in the United States

They won the Blue Ribbon of the American motor cycle world—the 200-mile Daytona race and the name of the

present machine derives from the number of speed records it set at Bonneville Flats.

A more developed version

was nearing completion two years ago but was mothballed

value which aggravated inflationary pressures in a way which made the eventual recession far deeper and more prolonged

tan deeper and more prolonged than that suffered by countries which took the oil price in-creases on the chin. Secondly, it was a mistake to wait until January, 1975, before beginning to spell out to trade union negotiators the direct connexion between the level of pay settlements and unemploy-ment given that the rate of

> Peter Jay **Economics Editor**

monetary expansion was to be predetermined. It was too a failure later on to blur that message by reverting too often to the old Treasury language which linked incomes policy to inflation rather than unemploy-

Thirdly, it was at least mal-adroit to fail to spot the effects of pay inflation on the budget deficit in the year 1974-75 more promptly than was done, al-though it was unprecedented. Fourthly, it was an error— that the Chancellor half acknowmat the Chancettor hair acknow-ledges—not to have foreseen in the spring and early summer of 1976 that the proposed budget deficit would confront him by the autumn with a hor-rible choice: either Barberesque monetary expansion; or a level of interest rates which would crowd out " the investment recovery on which he was banking (especially as the dan-ger was loudly proclaimed from this space from the first week

of January onwards. In that connexion, however, should be acknowledged that the Chancellor was unlucky. Those who warned of what was to come based their warnings on the assumption of a gradual economic recovery (leading to revival of private credit demand) which never occurred. If the Bank of England had not fallen asleep in August and had kept up a steady rate of giltedged sales, it is at least arguable that the incipient monetary explosion of Septem-ber, which precipitated the ugly events of the autumn, would not have occurred.

But, when all is said and done, the broad picture is clear and credible. When Mr Healey came to the Exchequer the money supply (as measured by "M3") was and had for about six quarters been rising at an annual rate of about 30 per cent. This is well illus-trated in the excellent charts

Supplement 1950-76 on British Government securities. At that point any well honed

prepared by the statisticians of Messrs Pember and Boyle, the stockbrokers, in their invaluable

Friedmanite would have saidof any sound economic strategy from then on would be a pro-gressive reduction in that rate of increase over three or four years from 30 per cent to a sustainable non-inflationary rate

sustainable non-inflationary rate of, say, 3-5 per cent.

Messrs Pember and Boyle have drawn in a bold line depicting the "smoothed" trend of M3 increase since that time; and it follows exactly the line which such a Friedmanite would have drawn, some tendency, to level off at about 10 per cent from the summer of 1975.

It is true that this "smoothing" involves filling in some canyons in early 1974 and early 1975, about which The Times complained at the time, and lopping off some peaks in late 1975 (and no doubt late 1976 when the charts are updated). Any monetarist who was offered such a prospect in the chaos of 1974 would have grasped it to his bosom and counted himself absurdly fortunate.

Such a record could only be such a record could only be achieved at the price of an unambiguous and indefinite suspension of the norms of "full employment" economics as they are commonly supposed to have been inherited from Lord Keynes and the Employment Policy White Paper of May, 1944. Such a suspension broke what had hitherto been taken by all Chancellors to be the absolute political impera-tives of economic policy.

ives of economic policy.

It implied a risk, spelt out in this space in July, 1974, of uncomployment in the low millions for the rest of the decade" and in September, 1975, of unemployment at 1,500,000 in the winter of 1976-77. Mr Healey knew it and he accepted it, even if at the be accepted it, even if at the same time be was politically constrained to talk of an unemployment target of 750,000

in 1979. Men who bite on the big bullets of history can be ex-cused for any number of broken teeth. Those who can-not see beyond their noses will still say that Mr Healey has presided over more unemployment and more inflation than any post-war predecessor. That is merely because he is the most recent in the line.

All of his predecessors, not just the hapless Mr Barber, pursued policies which were bound to lead to such a climax, a consequence of Lord Keynes, as applied in a world of vigorous collective bargaining. This was both predictable and (by Hayek and Lord Robbins) predicted 40 and more years

Although his utterances have been extrordinarily confused and confusing, whether by design or by nature, Mr Healey's essential deeds, culminating in his uncompromising reaction last autumn to the threat of excessive monetary expansion (raising interest rates, invoking the IMF and cutting the budget deficit), en-title him to be remembered for having turned the most import-ant corner of post-war history. he or his successors can con-tinue to bear the weight of that hinge of fate.

# General Accident

USA Results General Accident's United States results for 1976 are now being released in the U.S.A. and

show, as compared with those of the previous

3000's

5000's

Net Premiums written 408,445 343,411 333,067 Net Premiums earned (23,971)Statutory underwriting loss Income from Investments ... 40,005 Claims as % of earned premiums 75.47% 76.79 % Commission and expenses as 28.76% 29.49% % of written premiums ... Operating Ratio ..... 104.23% 105.28%

The U.S.A. underwriting results will be taken

into the 1976 Group Revenue Accounts on the statutory basis, but with a deduction from unearned premiums for procuration expenses. and at the rate of exchange ruling at the year end of \$1.70 to £1 (1975, \$2.02 to £1).

## GENERAL COMMENT-WORLDWIDE The improved operating ratio in the United

States, applied to the higher level of premium income and allowing for movement in exchange rates, will produce for 1976 a sterling underwriting loss little different from that recorded In the last quarter in the United Kingdom there

was a small loss on underwriting attributable mainly to continuing adverse experience in the Homeowners account. Elsewhere, in the aggregate, there has been some

deterioration in the underwriting result for the same quarter. The preliminary statement of the worldwide results of the group for 1976 will be published on 23rd March.



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# Business Diary: 'Mid the equinoctial gales director of the consultancy is that its affairs were being dir-

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ed to raise subscrip-r the eight-year-old Kingdom Falkland committee. The latter ies to step up its pres-behalf of those of the inders who think the and Commonwealth reparing to hand over is to Argentina. the committee's mem-sympathetic MPs, in-Sir Nigel Fisher, the uber for Surbiton and

are also members rms have interests in ads or in Falkiand uch as Frank Mitchell, director of the Falkilands Company, a lorganization which is st commercial presence

unior minister at the

ssociation, the fundend, now has offices House in Regency id a general secretary, Barton. Barton is a Falkland and in October last esearch assistant with ny. This is a public concern which is now sairman and managing Business Diary had pointed out

Major-General Nigel St George Gribbon, who until 1972 was head of allied intelligence at Supreme Headquarters Allied He was formerly on second-ment to the FCO and was a member of a mission headed by

member of a mission needed by
Lord Shackleton which negotiated with the South Arabian
Liberation Front in Geneva.
It was Lord Shackleton whom
the FCO commissioned to prepare a report on the future of
the Falkland Islands economy.
This report which appeared in This report, which appeared in July, said the islands' considerable potential would need to be exploited with the cooperation or even the participation of the Argentinians

Argentinians.
The Falkland Islands association is budgeting to spend f20,000 this year, a quarter of it on public relations. So far, according to association documents, all but 17,000 has been reised or promised. raised or promised.
Asked where the money

coming from, Miss Barton said yesterday: "I'm not sure I'm allowed to say at this point. I think the bulk of the money has been raised by commercial in-terests." The honorary secretary Bill Hunter Christie, a barrister, says the subscriptions have been both individual and commercial. Among previous clients of Sailingbury was a travel club based on public subscription which folded last year after

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ected by an undischarged bank-rupt. Two other associates of the club were subsequently arrested in the United States on fraud charges. Almighty dollars

So far as it is possible to take one's mind off Faye Dunaway in the film Network which is released today, the attention is caught by a scene in which the late Peter Finch is instructed in the new "corporate cosmology" by Ned Beatry.

Network Finch's last film is

Network, Finch's last film, is about American television, and in it he plays Beale, a demented newscaster whose ravings acquire a national following. Add is well until on the air he denounces the sale to Arab interests of his station's con-glomerate owner. Beade is carpeted by the conglomerate chairman Jensen (Ned Beatty), a super salesman who tongue in cheek sells Beale on the "cos-

"You have meddled with the primal forces of nature, Mr Beale, and I won't have it!", the writer Paddy Chavefsky has Jensen storm.
"You think you've merely

stopped a business deal . . that is not the case I The Arabs have raken millions of dollars out of this country and now they must put it back! It is ebb and flow, tidal gravity; it is ecological balance!



The gospel according to himmon: Peter Finch's evangelization in Network. There are no pations and no

peoples, Jensen continues, just "one vast and immene, inter-woven, interacting, multiwoven, interacting, multi-variate, multinational dominion of dollars! Petro dollars, electro dollars, multi dollars!

"There is no America. There is no democracy. There is only IBM and ITT... and AT and \(\zeta\). and Dupom, Dow, Union Carbide... and Exxon, Those are the nations of the world today." This world, this "college of corporations" will soon be "one vast, ecumenical holding com-

The apple cart

GKN set the ball rolling by lending a management team for three months. Last week, Sir pany, for whom all men work three months. Last week, Sir to serve a common profit . . . Arnold Weinstock's GEC put up nouncement of a fin to buy the cooperative's made this possible.

anxieties tranquillized, all bore-he was indeed playing a parson in a film shown on British tele-vision, The Execution of Private

The private sector of industry continues to rally to the rescue of the Meriden motor cycle cooperative.

to concentrate on bread and butter production. However, work was resumed last year when the cooperative sought to improve its image in preparation for the day when it would sell its own machines again, Last week's government an-nouncement of a £500,000 loan

# Monday's losses are wiped out

With half an eye on the pay Albright & Wilson were better policy debate, share prices than most expectations, there made further progress and was a disappointing response Monday's big losses have now been more than wiped out. Prompted by a steadier pound, the first bour and a half brought a repeat of the previous day's combination of "cheap" buying and "bear

was a good level of demand. Prices were helped by a shortage of stock and by 11 am the FT Index had put on 9.8 to reach its best level of the day. The interest waned thereafter and with the railwaymen coming out against continued pay restraint many prices fell quite sharply.

closing" and dealers said there

Up from a pre-bid 56p to 55p, Serck still looks a strong hold despite Associated Engineer-ing's paper offer. AE has come down from 102p to 96p since its proposed offer, but rose 21p yesterday. So Serck has lost its premium. But there is talk of another suitor, and gossip names Hawker-Siddeley.

Though demand did not re-turn to any marked degree, a late flurry of interest brought a firmer tone and by the close the index stood at 385.2, a net gain of 9.1 and a two-day rise of 18.9. It is now 3.7 shead over the first three days of the

As well as sterling, revived hopes of lower interest rates were a supporting factor in gilts, which turned in a more subdued performance. Nevertheless, short dates gaied up to half a point, "mediums" one-quarter to three-eighths and "longs" one-eighth to one-

querter.
Fisons made up for lost time to out-perform the rest of the industrial leaders with a rise of 12p to 295p. Others like Glazo 7p to 437p, Unilever 6p to 430p and Dunlop 3p to 84p made a more restrained show-ing, while it was not a particu-larly happy day for either ICI, up 3p to 334p, after 336p, and Beecham which closed just 2p ahead at 400p. where in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basts. To Though the figures of establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.54. \* Cents per share.

from the market and the shares closed just a penny to the good at 91p. Firm of late, fellow chemical share Hickson & Welch gained another 5p to end

Braithwaite once again sprang to prominence in engineers with a spurt of 15p to 240p. Elsewhere on the pitch, Tube Investments, with figures scheduled for next month, gained 12p to 364p, APV strengthened 10p to 300p, GKN 9p to 311p, Davy International

7p to 169p and Acrew "A" 6p After news of a short extension to the Milgo offer, Racal went ahead 12p to 278p in electricals where consumer stocks like Decca 9p to 237p, Thorn "A" 8p to 232p, Ever Ready 6p to 134p and Hoover "A" 5p to 255p went ahead on initial

demand. from Carrington Profits Viyelia left the shares half a point up at 27p, after 29p, ahead of the news while Vantona closed at 82p after going over 90p on early speculative

Others speculatively wanted included Dolan Packaging, up 7p to 97p on fresh bid talk, LRC 2p to 64p and Avon Rub-ber 3p to 100p. Batu Matang jumped 20p to 80p after bld

Over in foods, acquisition news explained the recent strength of United Biscuits which gained another 5p to 141p

with Associated Dairies back in favour and rising 10p to 232p.

The star performer in stores was Mothercare where the rise was 10p to 224p, but there was also interest in Burton after the annual meeting and the shares closed a penny to the good at 59p. While not spectacular, solid progress was also made by Boots 5p to 135p, Marks & Spencer 3p to 100p and British 214p.

Home Stores 3p to 150p.
In the building industry sector, Tunnel Cement led the way with a rise of 7p to 146p, fol-lowed by AP Cement 6p to 177p, Costain 5p to 145p, London Brick 3p to 44p and Marchwiel, where profits are due soon, 3p to 127p.

After earlier figures, Bath & Portland rose monther 43p to

Portland rose another 41p to 45p and paint maker Donald Macpherson 11p to 511p. But timber was more subdued, the best being Magnet Southerns where the gain was 3p to 130p. In the oil sector, BP was un-changed at 914p and Shell 6p ahead to 502p. But there was still plenty of interest in stocks with North Sea stakes like Associated Newspapers, up 12p to 171p, Thomson Organisation
22p for a close of 427p and
Berry Wingins 41p to 30p. After
an initial surge of 4p, General
Accident came back to a penny
berton at 170p after the Heisted

States figures.

There was a rather firmer showing from other composites with both Royal 304p and Eagle Star 114p ahead by Sp and Commercial Union rising 4p to 114p. Brokers C. E. Heath 13p to 498p

better at 170p after its United

# Latest dividends

| Сомрану                    | Ord<br>div    | Year      | Pay<br>d?te | Year's<br>total | Prev<br>year |    |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|----|
| (and par value)            | 01.5          | 130       |             | 4.12            | 3.75         |    |
| Albright & Wilson (25p)    | F 10 4.40     | 2.07      | 12/5        |                 |              |    |
| Brasway (10p) Lqt          | 0.5           | 1.0       | 2/4         | _               | 2.13         |    |
| W. W. Ball (25p) Fin       | 0.81          | · 0.74    | 1/4         | 1.64            | 1.49         |    |
| Carrington Vivella (25n)   | Fin 1.34      | 1,22      | 21/4        | 1.88            | 1.71         |    |
| Colonial Securities (25p)  |               | 4.1       | 1/4         | 7.0             | 6,2          |    |
| Edin & Dund Inv (25p)      |               | 1.68      | 27/4        | 3.5             | 2.8          |    |
| For & Col Inv (25p) Fin    | 2.05          | 1.78      | 5/4         | 2.9             | 2.58         |    |
| John James (25p) Int       | 1.06          | 0.98      | 31/3        | _               | 2,18         |    |
| Pentland Inv Fin           | 2.52          | 1.97      | _           | 3.4             | 2.85         |    |
| Robert R. Stockfis (25p)   | Fin 4.35      | 4.23      | 1/4         | 6.85            | 6,23         |    |
| Throg Sec Growth (25p)     | Int D.61      | 0.61      | 4/4         |                 | 1.87         |    |
| Joseph Webb (5p) Int       | 0.26          | 0.26      | 4/4<br>7/4  | _               | 0.85         |    |
| Yeoman Inv (25p) Fin       | 4.22          | 3.41      | _           | 6:5             | 5,36         |    |
| Conzinc Rio Aust (50c)     | Fin 5.5*      | 4.5*      | 4/5         | 9*              | 7.5*         |    |
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# Burton 'A' get votes-one day

From Ronald Kershaw Leeds, Feb 16

An attempt by Mr David Prosser of the National Coal Board pension fund to tie down the board of the Burton Group to a timetable for the enfran-chisement of the non-voting share capital, met with no success at the company's annual meeting.
All he received in reply was

an assurance that it was an objective to which the board was fully committed.

Mr Ledislas O. Rice, chair-

Mr Ladislas O. Rice, chair-man of the group, said that of enfranchisement when the the board did not think it right new strategy has had a chance to take action in the present to be effective."

circumstances. Mr Rice said: We have had some unsatisfactory results in recent years. "Our market capitalization

on the stock exchange", he added, "is at a very low level compared with the value of the assets employed in the group and we have recently made changes in our strategy and management structure".

Mr Rice continued: "These changes are part of our pro-gramme for the Burton Group to achieve a revival. The board

In reply to a question on the necessity for change in the re-tailing of menswear, Mr Rice said that there was a continuing study of new methods of retailing.

In fact much will depend on Burton's . bility to pull the menswer division out of the red. A final dividend of 0.67p a share was approved bringing the total dividend for the year to 2.14p a share which is half of that year's payment.

The chairman said that but for the board's confidence in the medium and long term final dividend would not have been recommended

and Sedgwick Forbes 6p to 242p were also well to the fore.

figures due today With Bernard Sunley put on 3p to 129p in the hope that an improving situation will be consolidated. Other properties to see demand were Land Securities 7p to 158p, Bradford 6p to 126p, and Great Portland 4p to

In the banking sector, half-year figures from United Dominions Trust oid little for the shares which finished a penny ahead at 20p. Eu: both commercial and clearing banks were in good form with Barclays 2550 and National Westminster 225n, both 10p higher, Midland 16p to the good at 268p, Lloyds 8p up at 208p in front of tomorrow's figures and 5p rises from Brown Shipley, at 135p, Arbuthnot Latham at 120p and Guinness Peat at 155p.

There was a flurry of interest in stores group Owen Owen and the shares closed 18p up at 82p. The market expects the United Kingdom property revaluation, promised last May, to emerge soon showing a substantial surplus. There was also vague hid talk with Debenhams and Canadian partner, Hudsons Bay, mentioned. The company would not be drawn on the revaluation and said there had been no

Easier money market condition continued to help discount houses. Among the best were Allen Harvey & Ross, with a jump of 20p to 410p, Union up 15p to 310p, Cater Ryder 5p to 245p and Gerrard & National

5p to 137p. Equity turnover on February 15 was £64.9m (15.669 bar gains). Active stocks yesterday, gains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were Shell, BAT Dfd, ICI, Midland, P & O, Burmah, Marks & Spencer, Gus "A", AP Cement, BAT Ind, Barclays, Commercial Union, De La Rue, Dupley 188 Dunlop, BP. Lonrho, Owen Owen, General Accident, Car-rington Viyella, Davy Inter-national, Booker Bros, Serck,

## Spring back in bouncing Ball

42.5 per cent to a record E670,000 in the year to September 30. Turnover climbed 20.43 per cent to £4.61m. The gross dividend duly goes up from 2.3p

promising start" to this year, order books are good and demand is growing. The direc-

ous industries.

tors are confident that heavy spending on plant and develop-ment will pay off.

# Albright & Wilson and Land

In contrast to the small drop the year before, the pre-tax profits of W. W. Ball jumped

to 2.53p, the maximum.

The group made a "very

The group makes plastic products and components for vari-

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|--------------------|------------|--------|
|                    | 1976       | 1975   |
|                    | £*000      | £'000  |
| Turnover           | 111,951    | 85,957 |
| Profit before Tax  | 9,376      | 7,298  |
| Profit after Tax   | 4,624      | 3,311  |
| Dividend           | 3.2071p    | 2.9156 |
| Earnings per Share | 10.00p     | 8.41   |
|                    | -          |        |

## From the Annual Report

Results at a Giance:

It is a pleasure to report on the outcome of the most successful year that CompAir has ever had. CompAir owes its success and its prospects for the future to its strength in overseas markets, particularly those in which the Company has its own subsidiaries.

## Accounts

Turnover at £112m. passed £100m. for the first time, and the profit before taxation and extraordinary items showed an advance of over £2m. at £9.37m.: 30 per cent, and 28.5 per cent. respectively above the previous year's figures. Some 73 per cent. of turnover was accounted for by overseas sales,

## Capital Expenditure

We have far-reaching plans for re-equipping our various manufacturing facilities and we expect our rate of capital expenditure to accelerate in the course of 1977: Full employment of the

Group's UK workforce and the profitability of our eight factories in this country depend squarely on export markets.

Underlying our constant programme of product improvement, design and development are two essential strategic aims. These are to rationalise our very wide product range and to concentrate work at each production centre upon a particular part of the range Longer production runs will lead to greater efficiency and, above all, lower unit costs.

Through Kellogg-American, whose pre-tax profits comfortably exceeded the equivalent of £1 m., CompAir is already well established in the U.S.A. but we aim, as a major priority, to broaden the Group's product base in that country and to raise domestic U.S. earnings to a much higher level.

No company can be better than the people who compose it and the year's results are an expression of the loyalty, enterprise and hard work of those, some 8,000 in number, who woi with CompAir. Looking to the future, our first priority now is to identify, encourage and develop the potential that exists in our operating companies at home and overseas.

Niall Macdiarmid, Chairman

# Chairman's Statement at AGM

I remain confident of our ability to perform well during the current year given reasonable stability in the present order trend. Business during the first quarter showed an improvement on the corresponding period of last year and prospects are favourable for the first half. No specific developments are foreseen which should impair our capability to

achieve a further advance in sales for the full year. We regard the overall level of order books as satisfactory, although in certain sectors they are not underpinned to any great depth by forward contracting.

Copies of the Annual Report & Accounts can be obtained from the Secretary, CompAir Limited. Brunel Way, Slough, Berkshire SL1 1XL.

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# A shade slower at John James: trust status still in doubt

money and hope

of record profits

Fashionwear and leisurewear

rashionwear and leisurewear group Helane of London is to issue 2575,000 of new 12 per ceat convertible redeemable preference shares, 1977-36, of £1 each at par. It also forecasts 1976 profits of at least £300,000 before tax, their best-ever, against £584,000. The group plane to convince

The group plans to continue

growing mainly within existing fields. The group has substantial bank facilities available, but it is thought prudent to raise permanent capital as well.

Though too early to forecast

1977, the board views prospects

with "continued optimism". It intends to pay an increased dividend for 1976 of 0.61p net, the maximum, which makes 0.94p gross against 0.87p.

Sweden's Alfa-Laval, the tur-

bine producing concern, raised profits 4 per cent last year

after depreciation and financial

Alfa-Laval dispels

minary annual report

was proposed by the board.

3.600m kronor to 3,700m kronor

D. Healey, chairman, and Mr

M. S. Healey, managing director,

say that the development of more "Status International"

shares a year earlier. Mr M. S. Healey's holding was also reduced, from 1.17m shares to 390,150 shares.

Mercury nets £2.2m

-AP-Dow lones.

tiqued progress.

Status Discount

fear of losses

Growth may be a bit slower at the John James Group of Companies but then, the figures are bigger.

In the cir: months to September 20 pre-tax profits rose by nearly 17 per cent to £885,164 and Mr John James and his colleagues think they will grow as fast in the second half year ending next month. In the full year 1975-76 profits rose 33 per cent to a peak of [2.23m.

The group solits into two, the industrial interests and the investment portfolio. The growing industrial side ploughs back every penny, and may bid for other companies. Dividends flow from the

investment portfolio and the group still does not know whether it qualifies as an investment trust for 1976-77. It thought that it fears the

Even so the directors still think that franked investment income will grow to £1m this year. Preference shares were 71.43 per cent of the portfolio at the last count.

The interim dividend rises Helene raises from 0.975p net a share to 1.6p or 1.63p gross. The directors and their families now have 62.5 per cent of the group's

## Robert R. Stockfis is near old record

Everything is going the way of Robert R. Stockfis (Manchester). In the year to August 31. 1976, pre-tax profits went alread from £300,000 to £372,000,

best-ever £401,000. Turnover rose from £3.06m to £3.4m. The gross payment goes up by the maximum, from 9.58p to 10.54p. The group expects an even better 1976-77. Stockfis makes components for commercial vehicles, light plant for the construction industry and other industrial metal products.

## OCS to buy rest of Collars' preference

Terms have been agreed between Office Cleaning Ser-vices and Collars for OCS ro acquire the preference capital of Collars; OCS already owns 2,500 of them. The offer will be 60p cash for every preference

share.

OCS already own, 92.8 per cent of Collars' ordinary and the rest is held by Messrs A. H. and J. Pickles who are directors of Collars. The board of Collars con-

siders the offer to be fair and reasonable and recommends all shareholders to accept

## Local authorities

The interest rate on this week's issue of local authority yearling bonds is 12; per cent and the issue price 99 15-16. Last week the rate was 11; per cent and the price 100.
Among the local authorities are
Lambeth, Cheshire, Enfield,
Newham, Norwich, Luton, Ashfield, Macclesfield, Bradford, Leicester and Southampton.

# Winn's three sales

Investment opportunities abound for the selective purchaser says conglomerate Winn Industries, and it is making sure that it has the money to be one. It wants shareholders to agree to the sale of three businesses for \$137,000 and The shareholders. for £137,000 cash. The three, in caravans, glazing and importing are being sold to their manag-ing directors. Recently Winn

Briefly

payment un from 9.53p to 10.78p.

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BRASWAY

Pre-tax profit of Throgmerton Secured Growth Trust rose from £124,000 to £140,000 in the half-year to January 31. Interim pay-ment 0.94p gross again.

Pre-tax revenue of Edinburgh and Dundee Investment for the year to January 31 rose from £2.4m to £3.09m. Gross payment rises from 4.3p to 5.39p.

Turnover for half-year to October 31 slipped from £7.96m to £7.66m but pre-tax loss cut from £143,000 to £44,000. Gross

from £143,000 to £44,000. Gross interim cut from 1.53p to 0.77p. Company has sales depot at Telford and other assets valued at about £400,000. It hopes to raise a further £100,000 within the next

JEFFERSON SMORFII
At special meeting in Chicago,
shareholders of Time Industries
agreed to merge with Jefferson
Smurfit, which already holds 51
per cent of Time shares. Consider-

per cent of time snares. Consideration was \$8 a share cash for 487,000 them held by general had or shareholders and \$9 a stare for 178,000 held by Don J.

JEFFERSON SMURFIT

PARINGA MINING

Mercury Securities has sold its holding in London-based FOREIGN & COLONIAL Net revenue before tax of Foreign and Colonial Investment Trust fell from 13.39m to 53.29m in 1976. Gross payment, 4,46p (3.952). Net asset value a share

Pre-tax profit for 1976 up from 2533.000 to £630,000 and gross payment raised from 8.25p to 10p. MARTIN THE NEWSAGENT Chairman says that retail sales (excluding VAT) for first 17 weeks to Jan 30 were £21.48m, an increase of 17 per cent. Sales in 1 noor, but are now buck to budget level. Revenue (after mx) for 1976 of Colonial Securities Trust r : from £189,000 to £228,000. Gruss

# MENTEITH-BILICOMIN

Board of Menteith Investment Trust now considers it wise to accept offer from Bricomin Investments. Mr Rintoul, a Mentelth director, who has not yet accepted, will now do so. For his beneficial interest of 2,000 shares. Revenue latter tax) for 1976 up from £542,000 to £640,000. Gross payment rises from 4.38p to 5.23p. COMPAIR

Chairman told annual meeting showed an improvement. Order books satisfactory, though sectors weaker.

# RICHARDS

Richards chairman says that first-quarter's profits are on budget, but ending of regional employment premium will cost company £100,000 in full. Despite this, he hopes company will not be too far away from last year's record.

# CRESCENT JAPAN Pre-tax loss of £192.000 for 1976 reported by Crescent Japan Investment Trust, against loss of £15,000 No dividend (same).

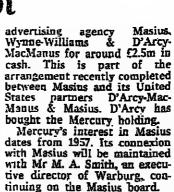
LYC-BATU MATANG Lyc Securities Berhad to offer 83p cash for each ordinary share of Baru Matang Rubber Plantations (1932). Lyc already holds 159,000 Batu (17.63 per cent). Persons in concert with Lyc hold 106.500 Batu (11.81 per cent). Batu considering offer.

HARRISONS MALAYSIAN Holdings of Harrisons Malaysian Estates in Golden Hope Plantations. London Aclatic Rubber & Produce and Pataling Rubber are now \$5.1 per cent, 59.09 per cent and 68.49 per cent respectively.

# SEKERS SETTLEMENT Mr Jean Baudrand, former man-aging director of Sekers Interna-tional, has withdrawn action

Abminco NL, a subsidiary of Abericole, is to spend up to \$3.5m on next stage of exploratory development of Que River zinc-lead prospect. Abminco will contribute 70 per cent of funds reoured, with balance from Cominco Exploration, Paringa holds 10 per cent stake of Que River prospect. against company after receiving compensation recently. Neither Mr Baudrand nor family have disposed of holding in company. INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC SECS Net asset value a share up 15.2 per cent in half to December 31, writes chairman. This compares with Tokyo 1st section index rise of 9.1 per cent. HAMILBORNE-REED & MALLIK GENERAL CONSOLIDATED
Pre-tax revenue for 1976 up
from £855,000 to £991.000. Total
gross payment raised from 3.84p
to 4.77p.

In formal offer from Hamil-borne, board estimates pre-tax profit of at least £75,000, including profit on disposal of holding in Automated Security Holdings for 1976. Dividend of about 1.47p net a share forecast.



# MPI suspension on reverse bid for private co

The shares in MPI in which Argyle Securities holds nearly 30 per cent were suspended on news that the group is planning a reverse takeover of private took its holding in Mann & company Forward Technology Overton, the taxicab people, to more than a fifth of the capital.

MPL, headed by Mr Ron Schuck, former chairman of Cornwall Properties and a former Argyle and Slater, Walker director, made losses of just over 54,000 in the 18 months to June 30 after losses the year before of £177,000. The group has interests in musical instruments and funeral undertaking.

Forward Technology, a fastgrowing mini-conglomerate with interests in plastics and electronic engineering, made pretax profits last year of just under Elm.

Mr G. S. Allen, who formed the company in 1969 reported at the latest year-end that sales efforts in foreign markets should produce significant benefits" this year.

Trading at 9p before yester-day's suspension MPI's stock market value was £1.2m. Mr Schuck, who bought a substan-tial block of shares in MPI at 20p in 1973 now holds 20 per cent of the equity.

Speaking from his Birming-ham office, Mr Schuck said that negotiations for the acquisition were at an advanced stage. Furin the next formight. He added that both sides had agreed not transactions, according to a preto make further comment. Mr Schuck became chairman

of MPI after a boardroom re-shuffle in 1974 soon after reesw seel lisms a faucatiA predicted six months ago, pro-fits jumped 4 per cent from 254m kronor (about £39m) to signing as a director of Argyle; whose board he joined when that group took over Cornwall 275m kronor. An unchanged dividend of five kronor a share Properties. Argyle has since-been taken over by Sir James Goldsmith's Generale Occiden-A 6 per cent sales increase was reported. They rose from

## J Webb paying same but peak in sight In their annual report, Mr

A forecast of record results comes with the cheerful halftime report from Joseph Webb, a West Midlands-based investmore "Status International" ment and property concern, stores, and Status Discount's with interests in holiday centres tight management and financial and entertainment. controls, should ensure con- Turnover rose from £1.24m

to f1.34m and pre-tax profits jumped from £190,000 to £238.000 in the half-year to Sentember 30 last. Moreover, the year's profits are expected to be around £450,000, a record if achieved against the previous year's peak of £347,000. Keeping the interim payment at 0.4p gross, the board reports that bookings for the 1977 holi-The directors' report shows that at the company's year-end, November 30, Mr E. D. Tealey's beneficial holding was 620,150 shares, compared with 1.11m that bookings for the 1977 holi-

# Suitor in the wings for ailing, **Penrad** By Ray Maughan

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sions ". Since early this me shares have risen from 20p before fading to night. While Penrad extremely sensitive ma .: abnormal fluctuation persuaded the group its brokers for a pre investigation into insit

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Mr Morgan, former the Purle Brothers w posal group, joined Pi January last year. Wr. the strangest fundir grammes seen in the C long time.

The Government, thre Secretary of State for increased its £300,000 free loan by taking £100,000 issue of red first preference share land Bank stepped its up by £50.000 to £250, restored £30,000 of ca payments on an £600,000 10-year loan

the company.
Penrad also launt
£204.000 rights issue
vertible redeemable 25 preference theres at pushes subsequent failure, accordance amounting to 44.4 per che underwriters. Mor Hemingway, with almost cent of the equity. To been interpreted as a st stone for a full bid.
In the six months to last, Penrad's losses had

from £146,000 to £173.1 the interim dividend p Since then, the box spoken brightly of a 50 jump in the real v. orders, the smeller engdivision's swift recover the earning hiccup laimproved quality and ductivity and increase of output. Assets wer 15.3p per share in 1... balance-sheet, but are

## UB brings in quality cater

United Biscuits, who cantly bought the Win. Golden Egg restaurants Lyons, is now absorbing. quality frozen-food n turer. In an agreed de to pay £495,000 in shall Alveston Kitchens. Alveston, based at S' on-Avon, makes luxury food products chiefly catering trade. Apart f Eric Jemeson, chairman retiring. Messre Joh George Docker, the mai holders, confinue as m director and marketing

# day season are once again encouraging. They reflect the trend towards home-based self-catering holidays. They started the busing

Penex \$300m Eurocredi A \$300m five-year Euro- The joint lead manage 32market credit for Mexico's state Chase Manhattan, the barries oil company Petroleos International, and Westd Mexicanos starts syndication today. The credit carries a 11per cent margin over London Interbank offered rate for the first two years and 15 per cent

# **Euromarkets**

thereafter. This compares with

11 per cent Mexico paid for five-year State-backed credits before last autumn's free floating devaluation of the peso. Syndication will take about two weeks, with signing the issue expected in mid to late-March. 9.81 years.

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## is now \$50m Paris, Feb 15.—The paris is the state of the

of Newfoundland's nil cent 12-year internation issue was raised to \$50 bitchier the \$40m originally participated and was priced at 100; particle a spokesman for lead of Credit Commercial de

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**Business appointments** 

# Mr P G Hall to become Esso Petroleum director

Mr P. G. Hall is to become a director of Esso Petroleum from April 12. Mr David Bonham has been

appointed controller finance of BSC (International) and BSC (Overseas Services). He succeeds Mr Brian Walsh who has resigned. Following the recent appointment of Mr J. S. Kerridge as chairman of Fisons fertilizer division, Dr J. G. Hunter, production director, becomes deputy chairman of the division.

Mr Phillip Zuvanich has been appointed vice-president, produc-tion, for Conoco North Sea In-corporated. He replaces Mr Dennis Gregg, who has been made vice-president and general manager, Murchison Project.

Mr C. R. Preedy has been named chairman and managing director of Peter B. Harris. Professor B. E. Rahmany has appointed a director

Mr John Martin becomes chairman of PRS Group in succession to Mr Hugh Buckner, who re-mains a director. Mr Martin also becomes chairman of Planning



production Conoco North Sea Inc ; 🖾 Hunter, deputy chairms of the CO. LICHTED production director of fertilizer division.

Research and Systems Economic Associates. Mr Anthony Cross a Geoffrey Barnard have joil's board of Horncastle Craw

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## obain sales 5 per cent

annual message to the on, Mr Roger Martin, o, reported that esti-iles in 1976 rose by 35 it to 28,600m francs 3,373m), half of this increase om a real increase in

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## CASTONIE TELEVISION **Jverseas 公司的证明** (2000年)

# Valley in a sale

Valley Industries says as completed the sale of its interests in UK ea production licence tich includes the Brae d licence P-222 to Asb-Incorporated, Ashland da and the Louisiana Exploration Co for your £9.3m).

shland Group will also v Valley's share of ploratory and appraisal costs on the two sult of the deal, Ash-

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eement has also been for the purchase of ately held shares of Life's series "B" the same terms.

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e Securities, an invest-mpany, announces an d net profit of n (about £2m) for the hs ending December. 0 per cent up on the seriod in 1975. declared an interim of 15 cents a share 1 with 8.2 cents for the year, adjusted for one scrip issue made in 1976.—AP-Dow Jones.

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# Upward trend is sustained

Cocoa prices continued Tuesday's advance in the London market yosterday. Shortly after the opening there was an advance to £40 limit-up in near May at £2,384.50 per tonne.

The market then extended the rise in a special call to establish gains from overnight of up to £55 per tonne with near May at £2,400. Some dealers attributed much of the sustained support to trade buying incorporating Eastern European price fixing. Another view was that the advance was a further bullish correction to the recent decline from peak levels.

By the morning close gains from overnight totalled £72 (near March at £2,447) to £55.50 per tonne. At the afternoon close March had gained £83.75 on the day to £2,459 and May was £76.75 ahead at £2,421.50.

The upward trend in lead prices on the London March Exchange. in cocoa prices

ahead at £2,421.50.

The upward trend in lead prices on the London Metal Exchange, persisted yesterday. In first ring dealings three months broke through the £400 barrier to reach a new traded high of £401. The morning close was at £394, a gain of £6.25 on Tuesday's close.

At the afternoon close cach was At the afternoon close cash was £12.25 up on the day at £387.25 and three months was £11.75 ahead at £399.50.

at £395.50.

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Sales, 250 tons.

SILVER was alreaded.—Bullion market (fixing levels.—Spot. 253.700 a troy ounce (United Stales conts equivalent, 450); three months, 172.500 ; 455.50; iss months, 282.200 ; 461.101; one year, 300.900 (476.60). London Metal Exchange.—Alternoon.—Cash. 264.8—65.000; three months, 274.1-74.2; seven months, 285.5-86.50. Sales, 116 lots of 10.000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash. 263.7-63.9p; three months, 272.7-72.8p; seven months, 273.7-72.8p; seven months, 274.7-72.8p; seven months, 274.7-72.8p; seven months, 275.7-72.8p; seven months, 275.7-

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ZINC was firmer,—Afternoon.—Cash,
£409-09-80 a metric ton; three months,
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£418-19 Settlement, £403-50, Sales,
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metal prices are unofficial. PLATINUM was at £93.70 (\$160) troy curce. RUBBER was quietly steady ipance per filot.—March. 58,50-54,75; April. 56,30-56,75; April.Junc. 58,20-58,20-50, July.Sopt. 62,23-62,30; Oct-Dec. 66,20-66,28; Jan-Varch. 68,30-68,43; April.June. 66,55-59,70; July.Sopt. Beles. 25 jots at 5 tennes; 136 at 13 tonnes.

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RUBBER PHYSICALS were inactive.—
\$901, 55,60-55.00. Cits March,
\$0.50-52.76; April, 53.86-54.25.

COPPER was oaster, March falling £16
and May going £35.60 back.—Merch,
£5.165-70 per metric ton: May £3.185\$0: July £5.191-95: Sept. £5.185\$0: July £5.191-95: Sept. £5.185\$0: July £5.191-95: Sept. £5.186\$0: July £5.190-90. Sales: 4,673 lots
including 164 options.

PALM OIL was strong.—Fcb. £299-PALM OIL was strong.—Feb. £299-310 per metric ton; April, £309-310;

## Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

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## H. NIGHTINGALE & CO. LIMITED Threadneedle Street, London EC2R 8HP. Tel: 01-638 8651 EC2R 8HP. Tel: ( Lost Ch'go Divip) 35 — 42 316 +3 18.5 30 +1 3.0 100 — 8.2 109 — 17.5 50 +1 2.2 79 — 6.0 225 — 25.0 15 — 6.1 54 — 6.1 69 — 5.8 Airsprung Ord 35 Airsprung 18½ % CULS 116 Armirage & Rhodes 30 Deborah Ord 100 Deborah 17½ % CULS 109 Henry Sykes 50 James Burrough 79 Robert Jenkins 225 Twinlock Ord 15 Twinlock 12% ULS 58 Unitock Holdings 54 Walter Alexander 69 12.1 16.0 10.0 8.3 16.1 4.4 5.6 11.1 5.0 5.8 12.5 5.0 6.8 7.8 20.7

## Foreign **Commodities** Exchange

June, £308.75-309.75; Aug. 508.50; Oct, £309.75-11.00; £310-311; Feb, £308.50-309.00.

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COCOA was strong.—March. CL.458-60 per metric 10n; May. 52.821-22; July. CL.350-63; Sept. 52.777; Dec. 52.1122.18; March. S2.050-05; May. 52.008-15. Sales 6.982 loss including 18 options, ICO prices; daily 166.07c; 15-day average 174.45c; CL-day average 170.14c (US cents per lb).

Sterling maintained an early firmness on the foreign exchanges to close at \$1.7070 yesterday, with a net rise on the day of 25 points, in spite of a late easing in day to day Eurosterling rates which in early dealings had touched 220, per cent.

Some dealers thought the Bank of England may have again operated in short-dated sterling and some also thought the Bank may have sold spot sterling during the afternoon to stabilize the rate.

But the general conviction that the authorities would act firmly to defend sterling deterred "short selling" of the spot currency despite the later decline in Eurosterling rates which finished at around 10 per cent.

The pound's effective rate improved to 43.3 per cent compared with 43.4 per cent on Tuesday.

Sterling dealers said the dollar lost ground against the mark and finished at 2.4002-12 marks, against 2.4030-40 overnight. But against the Swiss franc, the dollar insished firmer

Gold rose 25 cents an ounce at \$135.125. A -- our average, 8.78c.
SOYABEAN MEAL ALONG. Feb. £149-21-80 per metric lon: April, £155.50-21-55.55. Feb. £153.70-55.80: Aug. £150.20-50.40: Feb. £150.90-51.80. Sales: 166 lots.

S105.30-50.40; Feb. £150.90-51.80. Salos; 166 lols.

WOOL: Greasy futures were steady (pence per kilo)—March, 235-35; May, 240-41; July, 245-48; Oct., 253-36; Dec., 236-68; May, 240-41; July, 245-48; Oct., 253-36; Dec., 236-69; May, 250-68; July, 262-70. Salus; 129 lots. July and Floranch, S420 per long grade, Feb. March, 5420 per long grade, Feb. March, 5400, Res33; per base of steady—Indian. Soot, Res33; per base of seady—Indian. Soot, Res33; Indianalyment cast coast, Argenthe midling; March, F74.15; April, E75.80 trans-shipment cast coast, EEC feed; Feb. £87; March, 887.50; April, E75.80 trans-shipment cast coast, MalZE,—No 3 yellow American, French; Feb and March, E85 eart coast, E8C feed; Feb L87; March, Prench; Feb and March, E85 eart coast, E8C feed; Feb L87; March, French; Feb and March, E85 eart coast, E8C feed; Feb L87; March, French; Feb and March, E85 eart coast, E8C feed; Feb L87; March, E85 eart coast, E

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# Discount market

Houses were back in the Bank once more yesterday, having enjoyed only one day of freedom from MLR borrowing. Seven or eight houses borrowed a moderate sum yesterday at MLR (12 per cent) for repayment today. This lending by the Bank was provided for essentially technical reasons. It carried no message about the Bank's views on interest rates.

In addition, the Bank bought a small amount of Treasury bills and local authority bills directly from the houses. The shortage seemed to surprise some money market operators.

Early in the session, money had been coming readily to hand and rates had swiftly dropped to around 10 per cent from initial 11'-11 per cent. But the flow slowed down and rates turned up towards lunchtime as it became appreciated that there might after all be a shortage. By this time, bids had firmed to 11½-11 per cent and they eventually closed within a bund of 11 per cent to 11½. The dealing rate on "hots" eased to 11½-11 per cent from Tuesday's 11½-1 per cent, provoking suggestions once again that perhaps the Bank would today concede a quarter-point reduction in its "fixed" MLR to 112 per cent.

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# Wall Street

New York, Feb 16.—Prices on the New York Stock Exchange closed moderately higher but well below its best levels of the session after a late retreat. The Dow Jones industrial average was ahead 3.98 points to 948.30. It was ahead almost 11 points only an hour before the class.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by about 881 to 560.
Volume totalled 23.43 million shares compared with 21.62 million on Tuesday.

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Some analysts said the sharp gains earlier in the session were unjustified by the economic situation. They noted a lack of encouraging economic news. Gold closes \$1.20 up

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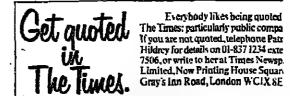
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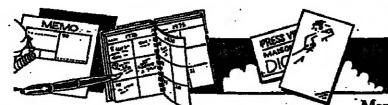


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The car is a full four-seater, though

a tall person may find head room re-stricted in the back. With the spare wheel sensibly tucked away under the bonnet, there is a generous 13 cu ft of boot space, which more than trebles when the rear seat is folded forward. In the Volvo tradition, the 343 has off" type of sign, though one gave been equipped with thick plastic the actual prices in smaller print bumpers, a laminated windscreen, head underneath. The other four stations restraints, inertia-reel seat belts front gave no indication of their prices. The and rear, and other safety features. Fog and reversing lights are also standard. But visibility would be even better with thinner rear pillars and windscreen wipers ser for right-hand instead of left-hand drive.

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To anticipate the Office of Fair Trading's survey, I took my own straw poll of the 18 petrol stations I pass on the 16-mile journey between my home and the office in Central London. (It struck me as I counted that one way to cut prices would be to have fewer

Once the car is in its stride, engine noise is not intrusive but I experienced both tyre rumble on rough surfaces and some wind noise on the materials. some of those evaded at least the spirit of the agreement by printing a decimal fraction in very small type so that what looked like 77p was really 77.9p. One station gave the price clearly enough but used much smaller letters to reveal that it referred to two-star fuel.

Three garages still had the "10p

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automatic five-door.

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1 It's true Benjamin was a painter (8).

8 Cartoonist quietly irritated by such a sound (3-7). 9 Step taken that may cause feeling (4). 10 Carl set about touts found in the plot (7, 7).

11 Increase scale to 13 (7). 13 See real trouble - maker set free (7).
15 An island and a place to ioitially (7).

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5 Outwit at cards (6).

drive off a sea-beast (7).

18 Takes as total export sales 21 Biographer of literary peer aches to try new form (6,

22 Girl pants with Old Bob after her (4). 23 One of Wordsworth's hints about eternal life (10).

24 The way precipitation produces tension (6). 18

25 Defeats revolutions about Gaelic (§). Solution of Puzzle No 14,528

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1 Abandoned ship, girl miss ing-stop (7). 2 Fresh autumn points to this sort of snow (3-6).

rectified (7).

4 Draw after uarrow winthat's knoty! (7).

5 Causes risk of death at French town (9).

6 Colonel supported by redcap before getting MC (7).

7 Corrects poor verses I made up (7).

up (7). Like the current timerable (Julian was wanting) (9). With backing of Moral Rearmament, presides over seating (9). Complaint of worker about

Colossal position of old African statesman? (7). Plant as a leek variety (3-4). 20 Saws of utterly traditional type (7).

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